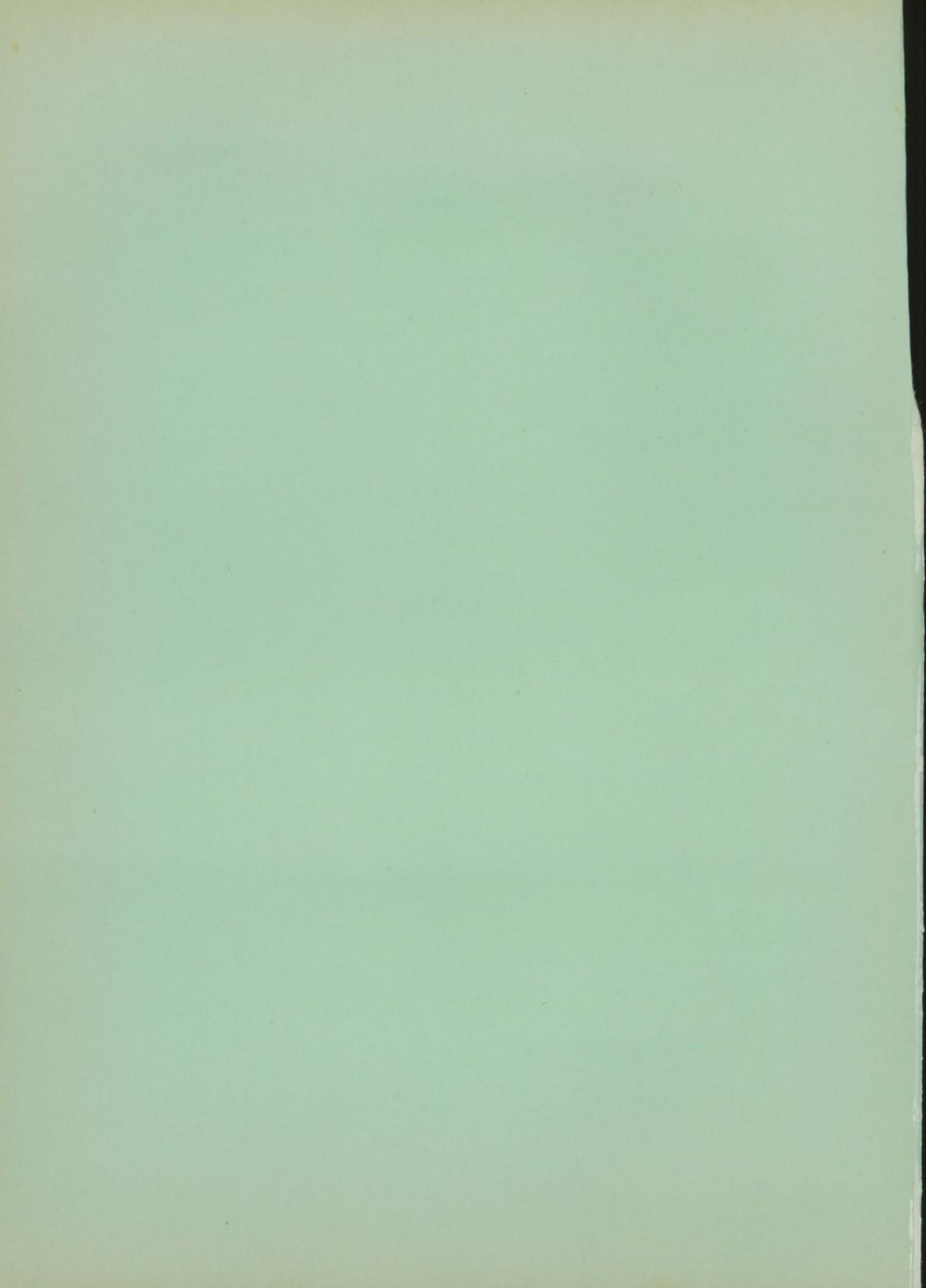


Yinner,
I a real funny
go with has
promised recently a
just there for the
remember all the good
times we always had to-
gether. We sure miss them
and can only wish we could
have you too, next
year. We miss you too, next
year. Remember
you will see me
the night of the basketball game, when you discovered
something about the day! Remember, you, me
also, remember the day! Remember, you, me
something a little illegal! Remember, you, me
fights down at the board meetings, boy, they sure were
fun! Remember all the night time stayed at each other
houses, didn't go hardly any place, I sure remember it!
let the milky milk - oh, I sure remember it!
Remember the turn - oh, I sure remember it!
discovered "Look"! Remember all the y.c. where you
should, and let's go. Remember all the secrets we
well, we made things, you know
must have done!
Always your friend,
Maurice
P.S. Could be the fun
I wish you a
"Merry
Christmas"

Ginnie Craig
10-3 S.H.²
Sophomore

Ginnie,
Best of luck
a really swell
part. May all the plans
of your future come true.
Remember all the fun
we've had when we were together. I'm
even thought that black convertible
still looking for that shop. Don't forget
in Butler + the flower shop. There'll probably be
the fights at the Y.C. I got my license it will be
more of them. Tell Mance to be ready to take another
might turn to drive. Tell Mance to be ready to take another
trip to Butler.
Stay as sweet as you are + you'll always have
friends.
Lots of
Love
Ginnie
P.S. I'll never do
fundament. Hope I'll
have the same luck
next time



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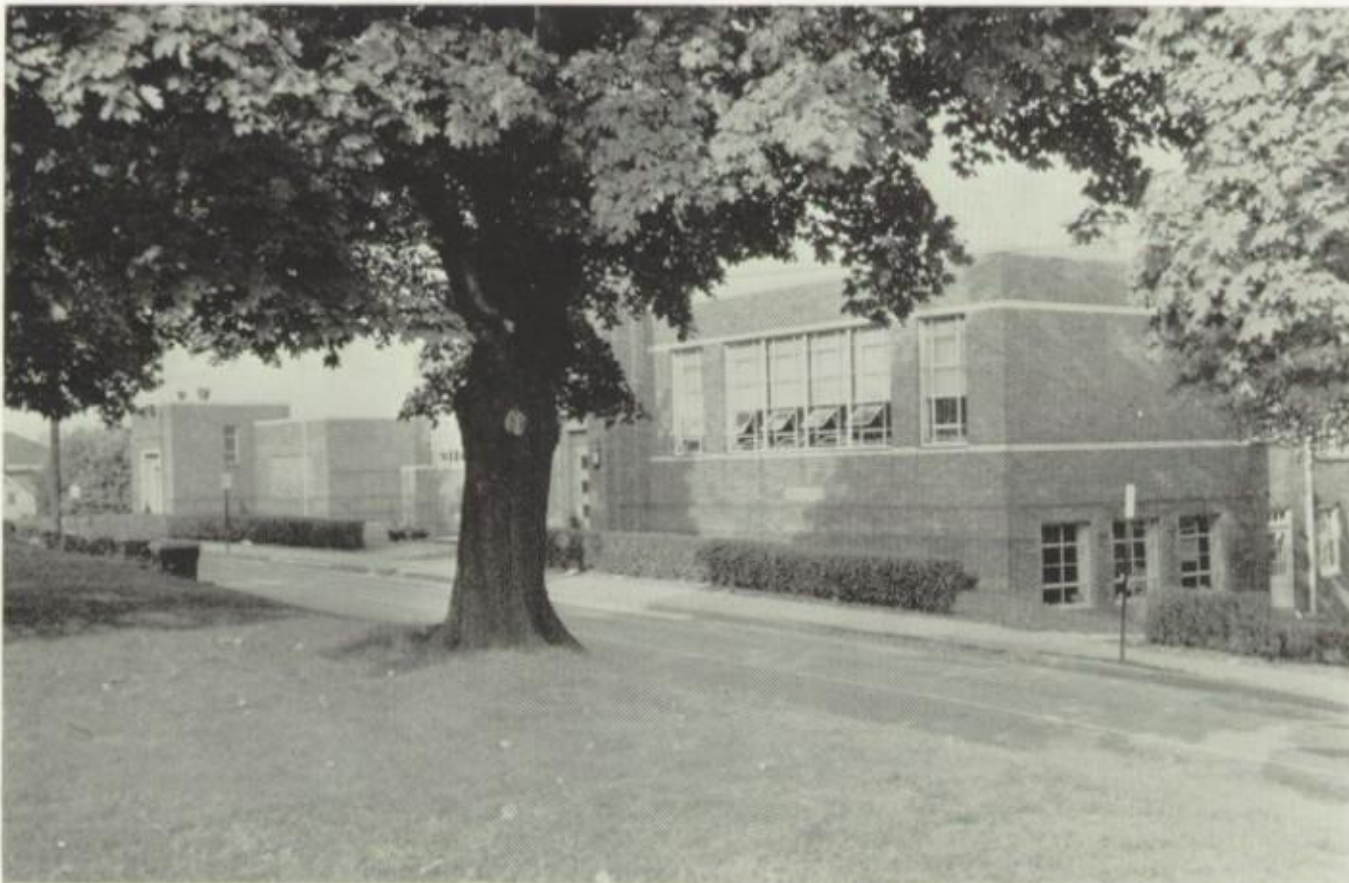
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Mars Alma Mater

Oh, dear old Mars forever,
For her we'll stand together
No matter what befalls us . . .
We'll go where Mars will call us!
Oh, Mars, Oh Mars, our Alma Mater
For you, dear Mars, we give our all!

Sturdy and staunch we'll stand
Throughout the entire land;
We'll surely fight for fame
For Alma Mater's name!
Oh Mars, Oh Mars, our Alma Mater
For you, dear Mars, we give our all.



Class Motto

"One thorn of experience is worth a whole
wilderness of warning."

Class Flower

Red Rose

Class Colors

Rust and Forest Green

Dedication

We, the class of 1956, wish to dedicate this volume of the Planet to Miss Hespenheide as a tribute for her fine qualities of leadership, cooperation, and friendliness.

Miss Hespenheide is a graduate of Grove City College where she received her Bachelor of Arts Degree. She had majored in Mathematics and has taught this subject here at Mars for many years.

She has offered her generous and sympathetic guidance not only as a faculty member but also as a principal, to the students of Mars High School.

We wish to thank you, Miss Hespenheide, for the warm and sincere interest that you have taken in us, and we truly feel that you have better prepared us for our future ahead.

And so to you, Miss Hespenheide, the Senior Class of 1956, want to express our sincere wish for continued happiness and success in your future.



Miss Hespenheide received her degree at Grove City College where she majored in mathematics.

Foreword

Just as a tree springs from a seed planted by interested individuals, so this book has grown and developed through the thoughts of the staff. We hope through our theme to weave the days of our high school career into the various seasons in order to aid you quietly and majestically back through many memories. The pictures of the student body and their extra-curricular activities are placed into the various seasons. When the temperature changes so do the pictures. The book is divided into the following seasons: September, October, November representing fall; December, January, February representing winter; and March, April, May representing spring. As spring draws to a close our school year comes to an end, but our memories linger on.



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Principal
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*to Annie,
the good have
student - I have
enjoyed your pleasant
personality -
Barbara Hail*

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Faculty Manager

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Arno H. Thompson



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Fall



Seniors



EDGAR W. ARMSTRONG

"Dub" Commercial

Speech Club. A southern fellow that is popular with the sophomore girls.



ARLENE BAKER

"Arlene" Academic

Spanish Club 3, 4; Girls' Chorus 2; Mixed Chorus 2, 3; Girls' Ensemble 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 3, 4; President 4; Baton Twirler 1, 2, 3, 4; May Queen 3, 4; Class Secretary 3; Speech Club 4; Hobby—sewing. Always seen with Butch.



HELAINÉ BALL

"Helaine" Academic

Latin Club 1, 2; French Club 3, 4; Girls Chorus 2; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Girls Ensemble 3, 4; Junior Play 3; G.A.A. 3, 4; Home Room Treasurer 3; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Sewing. Usually seen driving her jeep.



WILLIAM E. BAIR

"Bill" Academic

Spanish Club 3, 4; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Cars. Spends most of his time working on hotrods.



WILLIAM JOHN BIERAU

"Bill" Commercial

Speech Club 4; Hobby Club 4; Planet Staff Writer 4; Hobby—roller skating and girls. Mr. Thompson is still having trouble pronouncing his last name.



RONALD BLACK

"Ron" Commercial

Junior Chorus 1; Hobby Club 4; Secretary-Treasurer; Hall Patrol 4; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Boating, ice skating. One of our lifesavers.



ROBERT BLACKSTONE

"Champ" General

Speech Club 4; Hobby—Photography. Came to us from Shaler in our senior year with a flair for speeches.



HOMER EARL BLYSTONE

"Homer" Commercial

Hall Patrol 4; Hobby Club 4; Hobby—Sports. Always in West Deer and hails from Eden Hall.



THOMAS J. BOGAN

"Tom" Scientific

Latin Club 2; Hall Patrol 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Vice President 4; Sports Show 2; Junior Play 3; May Court 3, 4; Speech Club 4; Hobby Hunting. A quiet fellow but we always know he's around.



HARRY ED. BRATCHIE

"Harry" Academic

Hall Patrol 4; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Baseball. Always seen at the Texaco station serving people with a smile.

Seniors

ROBERT EDGAR BOICE

"Cannonball"

Agricultural

F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Sentinel of F. F. A. 4; Hobby—Automobiles. Loafs with the Valencia gang at the "University."

CAROL ANN CASHDOLLAR

"Carol"

Academic

Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Girls' Ensemble 3, 4; Girls' Chorus 3, 4; French Club 2, 3, 4; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Music. A girl with a swell personality.

SHIRLEY COLE

"Shirley"

Academic

Spanish Club 3, 4; G. A. A. 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; The Dope Staff 4; Junior Chorus 1; Girls' Chorus 2, 3, 4; Junior Play 3; Home Room Reporter 3; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Sewing. She hails from Wexford.

JUDITH ANN COLLINS

"Judy"

Academic

Band 1, 2, 3, ; County Band 3; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Girls' Chorus 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; G. A. A. 3, 4; Planet Staff Writer 4; Hobby—Music. One of our tall girls.

BRUCE COMSTOCK

"Tab"

Academic

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 3, 4; Spanish Club 4; Planet Dust 3; Assistant Editor; The Dope Staff 4; May Court 3, 4; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Girls. Spends most of his time chasing Annamary.

ALICE ANN COVENTRY

"Alice"

Academic

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; French Club 3, 4; G. A. A. 4; The Dope Staff 4; County Band 3; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Music. Well known for her instrumental ability.

ROBERT GRANT COX

"Bob"

Commercial

Speech Club 4; Hall Patrol 4; Hobby—girls. We do hope he will eventually learn to drive carefully.

MARY ELIZABETH CHATARY

"Mary"

Commercial

Speech Club 4; The Dope Staff Typist 4; Hobby—Stamp collecting and square dancing. Leaves to join Joe to start her career as a happily-married housewife.

SHIRLEY MAE CHRISTNER

"Blondy"

Commercial

Shorthand Club 4; Hobby—Men. She would like to go back for another look at New York.

MARION COON

"Marion"

Commercial

Planet Staff 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Varsity Club 2, 3, 4; Baton Twirler 1, 2, 3, 4; Shorthand Club 4; Speech Club 4; May Court 3, 4; Student Council 1, 2, 3; Secretary 3, 4; G. A. A. 2, 3, 4; Hobby—Basketball and dancing. Still waiting for Dave.

Robert Boice

Shirley Cole

Bruce Comstock

Robert G. Cox

Shirley M. Christner



Carol A. Cashdollar

Judith A. Collins

Alice A. Coventry

Mary E. Chatary

Marion Coon

Seniors



AUDREY F. DANNER

"Audrey" Commercial

Basketball 1; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Basketball. A quiet girl that is well liked by all who know her.

NANCY GAIL DIERDORF

"Nancy" Academic

Spanish Club 3, 4; G.A.A. 4; Junior Play 3; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Sewing. One of our future Spanish interpreters.



SUZAN DIETZ

"Suzan" Academic

Band 3; Flag Twirler 4; Girls' Chorus 2; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Junior Play 3; May Court 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Planet Dust 1, 3; G.A.A. 3, 4; Secretary 4. Always seen swinging her flag.

LOIS EILEEN EDDINGER

"Red" Commercial

Shorthand Club 4; Hobby—Skating. A quiet girl that is very talkative when you get to know her.



CAROLE ENGLISH

"Carole" Academic

Class Secretary 1; Latin Club 1, 2; Junior Chorus 1; Girls' Chorus 2, 3; Home-room Officer 2; Spanish Club 3, 4; Cheerleader 3, 4; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Speech Club 4; May Court 3, 4; Hobby—Sewing. A nice looking girl with a good sense of humor.

GERALD ENSMINGER

"Jerry" Commercial

Hall Patrol 4; Speech Club 4; Vice President of Senior Class; The Dope Staff 4; Editor; Hobby—History and science. Can be seen working in his laboratory at home.



CORNELIA M. FARRELL

"Connie" Scientific

Latin Club 1, 2; Mixed Chorus 2, 3, 4; Girls' Chorus 2; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; County Band 2, 3; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Solo 2, 3, 4; French Club 3, 4; Junior Play 3; Girls' Ensemble 3, 4; Class Treasurer 1; Speech Club 4; The Dope Staff 4; Hobby—Painting. Is remembered for playing in the Navy Band.

MARY J. FERGUSON

"Janny" Academic

Latin Club 1; Girls' Chorus 2; G.A.A. 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Baton Twirler 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Hobby—Glass menagerie. Always ready for a good time.



DOROTHY M. FOGAL

"Dot" Academic

Latin Club 1, 2; Junior Chorus 1; Girls' Chorus 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Baton Twirler 4; G.A.A. 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Hobby—Music. Has a smile that will get her places.

DONNA LEE GEORTZ

"Red" Commercial

Shorthand Club 4; Hobby—Horses. A redhead with a pleasing personality and always ready for a good time.

Seniors



LLOYD MARION GREEN

"Lloyd" Vocational Ag.

Hobby Club; President 3; Student Council; F. F. A.; Treasurer 1; Basketball Manager; Hobby—Hunting. Still sleeping in P.O.D. class.



GAIL M. GRAHAM

"Gay" Academic

Girls' Chorus 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; French Club, 2, 3, 4; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Drawing. Leaves and takes her hoop skirt with her.



DAVID HAWKINS

"Dave" Academic

Speech Club 4; Spanish Club 4; Hobby—Photography. Always seen with his little "brownie" camera.



WALTER GAY HARTUNG

"Gay" Vocational Ag.

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Secretary 4; Hobby—Raising chickens. Spends most of his time at Kramer's store.



ESTHER RUTH HAYS

"Essy" Academic

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; French Club 4; The Dope Staff 4; Latin Club 1, 2; Treasurer 2; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Vice Pres. 3; Speech Club 4; Band 2, 3, 4; May Court 3, 4; Varsity Club; Hobby—Sports. Always seen driving a new car.



BETTY HAYS

"Betty" Commercial

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Leader 4; Class Vice President 1; May Court 3, 4; Planet Staff 4; Speech Club 4; Hobby — Twirling. We'll miss seeing her at the head of the twirlers.



JOYCE B. HENSELL

"Joy" Commercial

Chorus 1, 2; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Dancing. An attractive miss who will soon be a "Mrs."



LOIS JEAN HILGERT

"Lois" Scientific

Latin Club 1, 2; French Club 3, 4; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Sewing. A very quiet and intelligent girl.



RONALD C. HUBER

"Sideburn Joe" Commercial

Speech Club 4; Hobby — Hunting, fishing, and women. Is still walking from his summer experience with the cops.



RICHARD C. MAXWELL

"Dick" Commercial

Chorus 1, 3; Speech Club 4; Hobby — Mechanics and girls. A fellow student who is always ready for a drag.

Seniors



THOMAS HUDSON

"Tom" Commercial

Speech Club 4. Says Bon Voyage to M. H. S. as he leaves for a career at sea.

JOHN ED. HUTCHISON

"Hutch" Commercial

Hobby—Cars. Still trying to keep his fingernails CLEAN for Mrs. McGraw.



CAROLYN JOHNSON

"Carolyn" Academic

Junior Chorus 1; G. A. A. 4; Girls Chorus 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Junior Play 3; French Club 4; Speech Club 4; The Dope Staff 4; Hobby—Cars. A tall girl full of school spirit.

SALLY LOU KENNEDY

"Sally" Commercial

Girls' Chorus 3, 4; G.A.A. 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Shorthand Club 4; Flag Twirler 4; Homeroom Reporter 3; Planet Dust Staff 3; Hobby—Dancing. One of our flag twirlers that likes to square dance.



JOYCE IRENE KEIFER

"Joyce" Commercial

A little girl with a big smile for everyone and has made many friends.

WILLIAM KEYS

"Bill" Commercial

Speech Club 4; Hobby — Hunting. Mr. Danser will miss him in P.O.D. class — especially his comments.



PHYLLIS E. KING

"Phil" Academic

Junior Play 3; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Reading. Leaves Mr. Campbell in peace.

NANCY LOUISE KIRBY

"Nance" Commercial

Shorthand Club 4; Hobby—Dancing and swimming. A quiet girl with a great sense of humor that has won her many friends.



MILTON KOVAL

"Milt" Academic

Hobby—Hunting. Came to us from Sewickley in our junior year.

JAMES ALBERT KRAMER

"Al" Commercial

Hall Patrol 4; Hobby Club 4; Hobby—Hunting and fishing. Tries to sell appliances to fellow students.

Seniors

CHARLES JOHN KUSHNER

"Chuck"

Academic

Speech Club 4; Spanish Club 4; Hobby—Cars. Still trying to stay away from the cops.

BERLENE E. LaFORCE

"Bernie"

Commercial

Shorthand Club 4; Hobby—Skating and swimming. Her pleasing looks and pleasant smile have made her liked by all.

EVELYN MAE LAWOTHER

"Sis"

Commercial

Shorthand Club 4; Hobby—Skating. A cute girl with a winning smile who has a great many friends.

HARRY LAWOTHER

"Worm"

Academic

French Club 4; Hall Patrol 4; Hobby—Long hair. Should get a medal for avoiding the school barbers.

JACK LEES, JR.

"Jack"

Technical

May Court 3, 4; Speech Club 4; Basketball 2, 3; Band 1, 2, 3; Chorus 3; Hobby—Guns and collecting shirts. Always seen driving a new car.

DONNA LU LEONBERG

"Blondie"

Commercial

Shorthand Club 4; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Loafing. One of our mystery girls . . . blonde or brunette?

LOWRY S. LEONBERG

"Butch"

Commercial

Speech Club 4; Hobby Club 4; Hobby—Sports. One of our shorter boys who is well liked by all who know him.

ANNAMARY MAGEE

"Maggie"

Commercial

Shorthand Club 4; Speech Club 4; Cheerleader 3, 4; Junior Chorus 1; Girls' Chorus 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Girls' Ensemble 4; G. A. A. 3, 4; Planet Staff Writer 4; The Dope Staff 4; Hobby—Skating and cheering. A cute cheerleader and her main interest is at West Deer.

EDITH LOUISE MAIER

"Edie"

Commercial

Band 3; Flag Twirler 4; Leader 4; Shorthand Club 4; Hobby—Twirling and skating. A popular girl that's lots of fun and can be seen leading the flag twirlers.

WILLIAM McAFEE

"Buck"

Academic

Spanish Club 3, 4; Hall Patrol 4; Planet Staff Writer 4; Hobby—Cars. His main interest is at Perry High School.

Charles J. Kushner

Evelyn M. Lawther

Jack Lees, Jr.

Lowry S. Leonberg

Edith L. Maier



Berlene E. LaForce

Harry Lawther

Donna L. Leonberg

Annamary Magee

William McAfee

Seniors



DONNA K. McCANDLESS

"Donna" Academic

French Club 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Speech Club 4; Girls' Chorus 3, 4; The Dope Staff 4; Hobby—Music. A future concert pianist.



LARRY McCANDLESS

"Mac" Academic

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 1, 3, 4; Junior Play 3; May Court 3, 4; Speech Club 4; Football 1; County Band 3; Hobby—Hunting and girls. A fellow from Room A who likes to tease the girls.



JOHN W. McKINNEY

"Jack" Commercial

Hobby—Hunting and cars. A popular boy in the Wexford gang.



WILEY McKINLEY

"Skee" Vocational Ag.

F.F.A.; Hobby—Guns. One of the romancers who take up our sidewalk space.



DANIEL F. McQUEEN

"Dan McGoon" Academic

Homeroom President 3; Student Council 3, 4; Varsity Club 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Senior Class Treasurer 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; President 4; Speech Club 4; Hall Patrol 4; Hobby—Sports. Still trying to duck the coach at the Youth Center.



MARTHA JANE MERCER

"Marty" Commercial

Hobby—Skating. One of our little girls with a big future ahead of her.



JUDITH MERGENHAUSEN

"Judy" Academic

Basketball 2, 3, 4; French Club 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Secretary 4; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Varsity Club 2, 3, 4; Vice Pres; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Sports. Always seen on the basketball team



DOROTHY MESHANKO

"Dot" Academic

Latin Club 2; Girls' Chorus 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Speech Club 4; G.A.A. 3, 4; Basketball Manager 3, 4; Varsity Club 3, 4; May Court 3, 4; Hobby—Boys. Main interest is Ford City.



REID FREDRICK MILLER

"Dick" Vocational Ag.

F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Hobby—Eating. One of our agriculture boys who spends most of his time on the farm.



JOYCE L. MASLOWSKY

"Joyce" Commercial

Speech Club 4; G.A.A. 4; Shorthand Club 4; Secretary 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Girls' Chorus 4; Student Council 4; Hobby—Playing the accordion. A girl with a wonderful personality who came to us from Cleveland in our senior year.

Seniors

DAVID LEE NESBITT

"Weepee"

Commercial

Speech Club 4; Hobby—Hunting. Is seen quite often in Valencia . . . wonder what the attraction is?

WILLIAM LELAND OESTERLING

"Bill"

Academic

Mixed Chorus 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Treasurer 4; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Cars. Loafs with the Room A gang.

JANICE ELIZABETH OSWALD

"Jan"

Academic

Homeroom President 2; Student Council 2; G. A. A. 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Speech Club 4; The Dope Staff 4; Hobby—Skating. Spends most of her time at Twin Willows.

MARGARET PORTER

"Maggie"

Commercial

G. A. A. 2, 3, 4; Cheerleader 3, 4; Girls Chorus 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Speech Club 4; Homeroom Reporter 2; May Court 3, 4. Loves to argue with the customers at Raugh's drug store.

GLADYS MARIE RAPE

"Red"

Commercial

Hobby—Square dancing and driving. A swell girl with lovely red hair and lots of school spirit.

BARBARA JEANNE REMMEN

"Barb"

Commercial

Shorthand Club 4; G. A. A. 4; Speech Club 4; Cheerleader 3, 4; Planet Staff 4; Hobby—Cheering. A lively little cheerleader that we will always remember for her school spirit.

WILLIAM E. REYNOLDS

"Bill"

Academic

Mixed Chorus 2, 3, 4; French Club 3, 4; Hall Patrol 4; Junior Play 3; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Hunting. One of the hall patrol gang.

PATRICIA ANN ROMAN

"Pat"

Scientific

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 1, 2; Vice Pres. 2; French Club 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 2, 3; Girls' Chorus 2; G. A. A. 2, 3, 4; Planet Staff 3, 4; Basketball 1; County Band 3; Junior Play 3; Girls Ensemble 3, 4; Class Secretary 3; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Sewing. Connie's shadow.

MARY ELIZABETH RUHL

"Mary"

Commercial

May Court 3, 4; G.A.A. 4; Cheerleader 3; Planet Staff 3, 4; Shorthand Club 4; French Club 4; Speech Club 4; The Dope Staff 4; Hobby—Basketball and Swimming. A girl that's always seen at the Youth Center.

JAMES E. SCHMID

"Smitty"

Vocational Ag.

Football 1; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Vice Pres. 3; Pres. 4; Hobby—Farming. Still trying to make his car a hot rod.

David L. Nesbitt

Janice E. Oswald

Gladys M. Rape

William E. Reynolds

Mary E. Ruhl



William L. Osterling

Margaret Porter

Barbara J. Remmen

Patricia A. Roman

James E. Schmid

Seniors



CARL W. SCHMIDT

"Carl" Vocational Ag.

F. F. A. 3, 4. Full of fun and always ready for a laugh.



REXANNE SCHNEIDER

"Rex" Academic

Baton Twirler 1, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Girls' Chorus 2; Varsity Club 2, 3, 4; Speech Club 4; May Court 3, 4; Junior Play 3; Hobby—Pete. An attractive girl that's lots of fun.



LUCILLE SETZENFAND

"Lou" Commercial

Mixed Chorus 3; Girls' Chorus 2; Junior Chorus 1; Shorthand Club 4; Hobby—Playing the guitar and singing. A girl that always has a smile for everyone.



BETTY SHORT

"Shorty" Commercial

Shorthand Club 4; Speech Club 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Varsity Club 1, 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 3, 4; Flag Twirler 4; Homeroom Reporter 3; Junior Chorus 1. The star of our girls' basketball team.



SUZANNE SLATER

"Sue" Commercial

Junior Play 3; G.A.A. 3, 4; Varsity Club 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 2, 3, 4; Girls' Chorus 2, 3, 4; Junior Chorus 1; Shorthand Club 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Speech Club 4; May Court 3, 4; Hobby—Basketball. Always seen with Rob.



RICHARD R. SOCASH

"Muscles" Scientific

Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4; Pres. 4; Varsity Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 1, 2; French Club 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Class President 2, 3; Junior Play 3; May Court 3, 4; Speech Club 4; Hall Patrol 4; Hobby—Betty. An all-around fellow.



RUSSELL SPANGENBURG

"Suss" Scientific

Latin Club 2; French Club 3, 4; Pres. 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Planet Staff 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Junior Play 3; Speech Club 4; May Court 3, 4; Varsity Club 3, 4; Pres. 4; Hall Patrol 4; Hobby—Girls. Always in want of a razor!



DONALD E. STAMM

"Don" Commercial

Speech Club 4; Hobby Club 4; Hobby—Cars. Awaits the coming of the hunting season.



EVELYN RUTH STEEB

"Toots" Commercial

Speech Club 4; Hobby—Driving and swimming. A quiet girl that's always seen with Gladys.



EVA JANE TAYLOR

"Eva" Commercial

Speech Club 4; Shorthand Club 4; Pres. 4; Girls' Chorus 3; Homeroom Secretary 2; Hobby—Stamp collecting. She will always be remembered for her "live" exhibit in speech class dealing with child care.

Seniors

JOAN LEE TINDALL

"Jo"

Academic

Latin Club 2; Secretary 2; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Girls Chorus 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Class Vice President 3; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Junior Play 3; May Court 3, 4; Speech Club 4. Hails from Adams Township.

NANCY VECCHARELLA

"Nancy"

Scientific

Latin Club 1, 2; French Club 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Flag Twirler 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Student Council 3; Planet Dust 3; Junior Play 3; Speech Club 4; Varsity Club 3, 4. Is remembered for her part in the junior play.

JAMES LYN WALTERS

"Lynn"

Scientific

Dance Band 1, Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 3; Latin Club 1, 2; Pres. 2; Class President 1, 4; Planet Dust Reporter 2; Homeroom Officer 3; Spanish Club 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Junior Play 3; May Court 3, 4; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Loafing. A good-natured boy with excellent musical talent.

WILLIAM O. WIEGAND

"Hab"

Scientific

French Club 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Band 3; Basketball Manager 2, 3, 4; Class Treasurer 3; May Court 3, 4; Hall Patrol 4; Planet Staff 4; Student Council 4; Hobby—Model Airplanes. Can be seen everywhere the basketball team goes.

MARGARET WOLFRAM

"Peggy"

Commercial

Shorthand Club 4; Treasurer 4; Planet Dust Typist 3. Hobby—Reading and skating. A girl that came to us in our junior year.

WILLIAM EDWARD VAUGHAN

"Bill"

Commercial

Junior Chorus 1; Hobby Club 4; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Archery. Cupid's right hand man with a bow and arrow.

PAUL ALBERT VOGEL

"Oscar"

Commercial

Student Council 4; Hobby Club 4; Vice President; Hobby—Hunting. Always seen with two girls but not at the same time.

ROBERT SHAW WHITLEY

"Rob"

Vocational Ag.

F. F. A. 3, 4; Junior Play 3; May Court 3, 4; Football 3; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Raising cows. One of our prospective farmers who is very nice to know.

DAVID DALE WIEGAND

"Guff"

Commercial

Planet Staff Writer 4; Junior Chorus 1; Varsity Club 2, 3, 4; Treasurer 2; Vice Pres. 4; Speech Club 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 3, 4; Football Manager 1, 2; May Court 3, 4; Hall Patrol 4. Hobby—Going to school. A sports expert who is popular with everyone at school.

WILLIAM WOOD

"Bill"

Scientific

Basketball 2, 3; Planet Dust 2; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Ensemble 1; Boys' Quartet 1; Boys' Octette 2, 3; Junior Play 3; Student Director; Latin Club 1, 2; French Club 1, 2; Speech Club 4; Hobby—Sports. One of our smarter students.

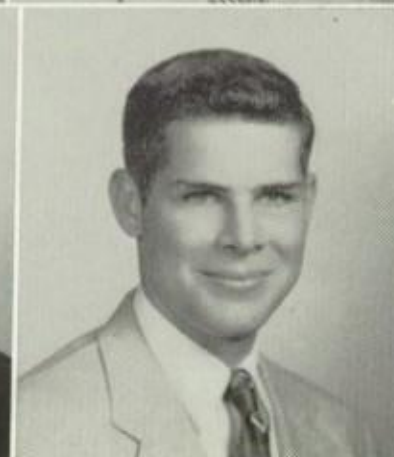
Joan L. Tindall

Nancy Veccharella

James L. Walters

William O. Wiegand

Margaret Wolfram



William E. Vaughan

Paul A. Vogel

Robert S. Whitley

David D. Wiegand

William Wood



CORINNE BERNARDINA
"Bernie" Commercial

Speech Club 4
Planet Staff 4
Spanish Club 4
Hobby—Bob Kouril
One of our quiet ??? girls.

Class Will

We, the Class of 1956, being of sound mind and memory (?) do make this last will and testament, all wills and promises made heretofore to be considered null and void.

To MR. HUDSON, our Supervising Principal, we leave our sincere thanks for the able guidance given us the past four years.

To our Principals, MISS HESPENHEIDE and MR. DOWNIE, our hope that they will succeed as well in future years as they have this year.

To the FACULTY, our deepest sympathy for no longer being able to gaze upon our bright and shining faces in class.

To the JUNIORS, all privileges usually bestowed upon the eldest class in school.

To the SOPHOMORES, the right to be now considered as true upper classmen.

To the FRESHMEN, our congratulations for no longer being green-horns.

To the EIGHTH GRADE, the distinction of being considered really in high school.

Edgar Armstrong wills his southern accent to Stuart Seabrook.

Bill Bair leaves driving away as Chuck Kushner's chauffeur.

Arlene Baker leaves her queenly throne to some lucky junior.

Helaine Ball leaves everyone in stitches . . . she sews.

Corinne Bernardina wills the Greek letters on her books to anyone who can read them.

Bill Bierau leaves still tormenting the girls.

Ronald Black wills his ice skates to Dan McClaine.

Robert Blackstone wills his willingness to learn to anyone with courage enough to take it.

Homer Blystone wills his cat collars to Dick Fusca.

Tom Bogan wills his quiet ways to Tom Davis.

Bob Boice leaves still determined to be a bum.

Harry Bratchie wills his position of holding up the water fountain on the first floor to a thirsty junior.

Carol Cashdollar wills her piano playing ability to Mary Ellen Staley.

Mary Chatary leaves hearing wedding bells.

Shirley Christmer wills her blond (?) hair to Carol Neithercoat.

Shirley Cole leaves still wondering what to make a speech about.

Judy Collins wills her band uniform to Irma Stone.

Class Will

Bruce Constock leaves for Hollywood as the up-coming star Tab Fisher.

Marion Coon wills her tamed eyebrows to anyone who hasn't mastered the art yet.

Alice Coventry wills her clarinet to Carol Sheridan.

Bob Cox wills Mrs. Latshaw a repaired toaster.

Audrey Danner leaves behind her memories of shorthand one class.

Nancy Dierdorf wills her Spanish accent to Dorothy Mowery.

Suzan Dietz leaves still gabbing to Dot Fogal.

Lois Eddinger wills her shorthand notebook to a sure prospect in next year's struggling shorthand class.

Carol English wills her cheerleading troubles to anyone who is game enough to want them.

Gerald Ensminger wills his history knowledge to Albert Whitaker.

Connie Farrell leaves still pestering Mr. Ebner with her antics.

Janice Ferguson leaves with Tom following behind.

Dot Fogal leaves and takes her love of music with her.

Donna Geortz leaves trotting away at a fast pace.

Gail Graham leaves her hoop skirt behind.

Lloyd Green leaves still arguing with Mr. Danser about P.O.D.

Russ Hackett leaves for Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Gay Hartung wills his red hair and blush to Mike Bates.

Dave Hawkins wills his midget camera to whoever can see it.

Betty Hays leaves with Rege.

Esther Hays leaves her basketball ability to Judy Theiss.

Joyce Hensell leaves with a diamond on her left hand.

Lois Jean Hilgert leaves still trying to tell jokes in French.

Ron Huber leaves trying to make up his mind about matrimony.

Tom Hudson leaves to join the waves.

John Hutchison wills his height to George Kanall.

Carolyn Johnson wills her French to some energetic junior.

Joyce Keifer wills her pleasing personality to Alice Rodger.

Sally Kennedy wills her flag to Pat Boggs.

Bill Keys wills his love for bookkeeping to Mrs. McGraw.

Class Will

Phyllis King leaves still disputing P.O.D. with Mr. Campbell.

Nancy Kirby wills her shorthand troubles to Nancy Lickey.

Milt Koval leaves to take up his favorite sport, hunting girls.

Al Kramer wills his post for watching students (girls) in the halls between classes to Joe Dietz.

Chuck Kushner leaves still wishing his car hadn't failed him in a time of need . . . could he have been dodging a c-o-p?

Berline LaForce wills her measles to anyone who wants them.

Evelyn Lawther leaves wondering how she ever escaped getting trampled in the 5-minute rushes between classes.

Harry Lawther wills his colorful forelock to any one of the girls.

Jack Lees wills last Year's car to Ducky McCormick.

Donna Leonburg wills her relaxing hobby (loafing) to Marion Schmit.

Lowry Leonburg leaves in his green bug.

Annamary Magee leaves wondering how many spies are following her; or shall we say good reporters?

Edith Maier wills her twirling position to Ann Swinderman.

Joyce Maslowsky leaves to practice taking shorthand on her accordion; you think this is easy?

Dick Maxwell leaves and takes his cricket with him.

Bill McAfee wills his Ford convertible to whoever wants it.

Donna McCandless wills her practical jokes to Patty Stoup.

Larry McCandless wills his baritone voice to Mr. Ebner.

Whiley McKinley leaves without Kathy.

Jack McKinney wills his curly (?) black hair to Jim Hendrickson.

Dan McQueen wills his shy way with girls to Gary Kennedy.

Martha Mercer wills her quiet ways to Joan Proie.

Judy Mergenhagen leaves in a cavalcade of sports.

Dorothy Meshanko wills her favorite pastime (boys) to Carol Leonburg.

Reid Miller leaves wishing someone would will him some equipment for his hobby . . . eating.

Roberta Myers wills her ensemble position to some lucky girl.

Dave Nesbitt wills his Romeo ways with girls to Dan Hudson.

Class Will

Bill Oesterling wills his favorite activity, being a general nuisance, to Rich Wagner.

Janice Oswald wills her superior height to Elaine Boyle.

Margaret Porter leaves her position in the head office to some capable junior girl.

Gladys Rape wills her red hair to Joy Monson.

Barbara Remmen leaves with her shadow following her, or is it Annamary?

Bill Reynolds leaves still as quiet as ever.

Pat Roman leaves with a long list of activities and friends behind her.

Mary Ruhl leaves still torturing Miss Aloe.

Jim Schmid wills his high position in the F.F.A. to some deserving fellow.

Carl Schmidt leaves still telling Mr. Danser that his name isn't Carol.

Rexanne Schneider leaves to spend more time with her hobby — Pete.

Lucille Setzenfand leaves strumming the Mars Alma Mater on her guitar.

Betty Short wills her basketball ability to Nancy Kennedy.

Sue Slater wills her ways with the future farmers to Donna Spangenburg.

Rege Socash wills his mighty muscles to Tim Koah.

Russ Spangenburg leaves with a clean shaven face after winning the game.

Don Stamm wills his masterful way with girls to Harold Evans.

Evelyn Steeb leaves very much wrapped up in her driving; let's hope it isn't around a pole.

Eva Taylor wills her stamps to the school secretary.

Joan Tindall wills her quiet (?) personality to Sally Hackney.

Bill Vaughan leaves with his bow and arrows; could he be playing cupid?

Nancy Veccharella wills her talkative ways to Leona Stamm.

Paul Vogel leaves with his transmissions scattered all over the road.

Lynn Walters wills his dainty ears to Roy Rose.

Russell Whiteside wills his quiet ways to Bill Fraser.

Rob Whitley leaves to study animal (?) husbandry.

Guff Wiegand wills his popular football ability to anyone who can fill the bill and carry the ball.

Bill Wiegand leaves in a model airplane.

Peggy Wolfram leaves on a cloud of Planet Dust erasures.

Bill Wood wills his tenor voice to Nancy Hanna.



Row 1: Quite Contrary - Little Donna & Russ - Lana - Jean & Gang - Pat & Helaine
 Row 2: Marion - JungleFever - ? - Beach Combers
 Row 3: Candy Time - Carl - Pat - Weep - Mitch - Myrna & Caroling
 Row 4: Dolls - Judy & Joan - Big Myrt - Mike & Friend - Seniors? - Latins - Betty H.
 Row 5: Lunchtime - Caught - Bevo - Sprinters - Mobsters



STUDENT COUNCIL

Row 1: M. Bates, A. Nickolas, C. Dickey, R. Batykefer, D. Bailey, Vanick.
 Row 2: Miss Hespenheide, J. Maslowsky, T. Koah, R. Socash, M. Coon,
 P. Vogel, B. Weigand. Row 3: F. Buzzard, J. Ross, A. Rodger, M. Nolan,
 R. Coon, P. Fiel, P. McCandless, V. Craig.

Student Council

The Student Council is an organization that represents the student body. They put their ideas into effect in the school to make it better for everyone.

The Student Council of this year succeeded in getting dancing back into the gym at noon hour.

The officers for this year were as follows: President — Rege Socash, Vice President — Tim Koah, and Secretary-Treasurer — Marion Coon.

Band

The Mars High Royal Blue and Gold this year consisted of ninety marching pieces under the excellent direction of Mr. Clarence Ebner. Marilyn Nolan, the drum majorette, had command of the band when on the march.

The band officers were as follows: President—Lyn Walters, Secretary—June McDonald, Treasurer—Pat Roman.

After a lot of hard work on the part of the band mothers and the band members, new uniforms and drums were bought. They were long hoped for and are greatly appreciated by everyone.

At the football games, the band made various formations. One that was popular throughout the season was a stick figure made by the band while the twirlers did a dance to "Walking My Baby Back Home."

After football season, the band buckled down to more serious work and prepared for a concert. It was held on February 24 and was very successful.

In January several of the band members attended Mid-Western Band held at Sandy Lake. They were Connie Farrell, Alice Coventry, Judy Collins, and Patty Stoup.



Row 1: Mr. Ebner, L. Huxley, E. Davison, D. Roberts, J. Davison, W. McDonald, I. Stone, C. Fritz, N. Groom, J. Borland, C. Mincer, M. Bender, J. Proie, J. Coventry, J. Munson
 Row 2: C. Staley, R. Schneider, K. Oesterling, J. Gregory, J. Hardt, R. Reiter, J. Dietz, M. Ferguson, P. Stoup, D. Mowery, J. McDonald, J. Hessler, K. Sterling, D. Buchanan, C. Sheridan
 Row 3: L. Herr, S. Ball, L. Roberts, C. Smith, M. Ferguson, T. Borland, J. Crawford, E. Hays, R. Schellhouse, P. Fiel, J. Huffman, C. Fyke, J. Thiess, C. Kocher
 Row 4: M. Davison, E. Boyle, C. Frolythe, J. Charles, C. Duff, G. Shilling, A. Walters, J. Collins, H. Sims, B. Groves, B. Lotzbire, C. McKee, B. Layton, A. Coventry
 Row 5: J. Cunningham, B. Comstock, B. Baughman, P. Roman, L. McCandless, L. Walters, C. Farrell, J. Hendrickson, C. Keley, R. Berger, C. Farrell, J. Elder

BATON TWIRLERS

Front: Betty Hays. Back: J. Kaufman, B. Snow, C. Morrison, M. Schmidt, M. Coon, R. Schneider, D. Fogal, J. Ferguson.



Baton Twirlers

The Baton Twirlers, led by Betty Hays, did a very fine job this year. The ten girls proudly marched on the football field in their new uniforms. They performed twirling routines and did dance routines to "Walking My Baby Back Home."

There are five seniors graduating from the squad this year. They are Betty Hays, Dorothy Fogal, Marion Coon, Janice Ferguson, and Arlene Baker.

Flag Twirlers

The Flag Twirlers looked very snappy this year in their new uniforms led by Edith Maier. They will be remembered for their part in the dance to "Walking My Baby Back Home."

There are five seniors leaving the squad this year. They are Edith Maier, Nancy Veccharella, Betty Short, Sally Kennedy, and Sue Dietz.



FLAG TWIRLERS

Row 1: S. Dietz, E. Maier, N. Hanna. Row 2: N. Swinderman, N. Veccharella, C. Neithercoat, B. Short, S. Kennedy, D. Spangenburg, P. Boggs.

Football Team

*Give me
to a swell kid.
Best of Everything 34 B
keep growing
Always
Mike*



Row 1: R. Socash, D. McQueen, G. Wiegand, R. Spangenburg
Row 2: B. Mahoney, T. Koah, K. Riemenschneider, C. Dickey, T. Pefferman,
G. Kuhn, D. McCormick, A. Whitaker, M. Bates, D. Hudson, B. Frasier
Row 3: B. Penny, L. Hopper, P. Pierce, B. Wagle, R. Koah, G. Boyle,
O. Woodward, G. Woodward, R. Grouse, J. Shaw

Football Coaches

Mr. Bitonti, Mr. Danser, Mr. Girdwood



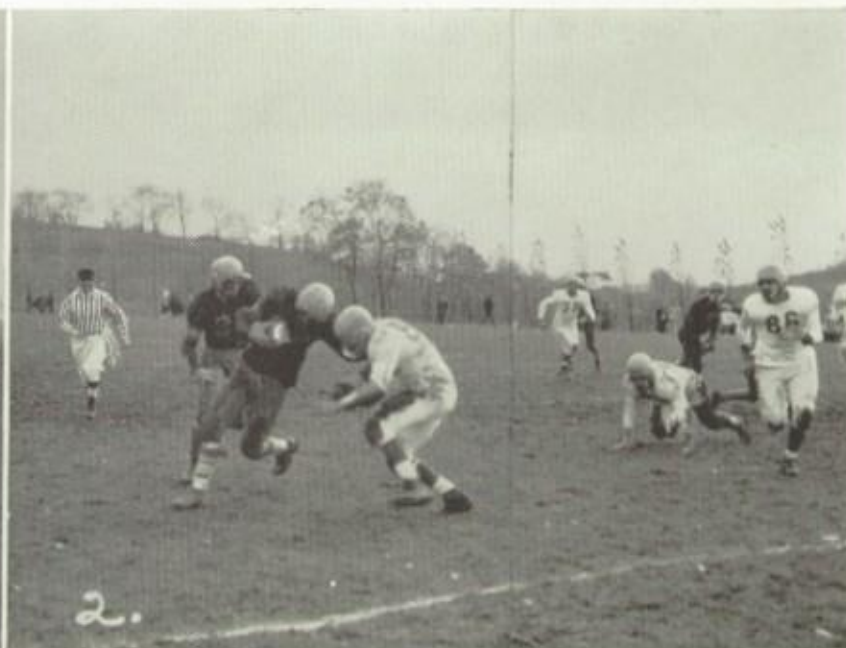
Seniors



1 - 2 G. Wigand, 3 - 6 R. Spangenburg, 4 - 7 R. Socash, 5 Mr. Danser, 8 - 9 D. McQueen



1. At Freedom 2. Awaiting kick off 3. The bench 4. Up and over
5. J. Davenport 6. K. Riemenschnider 7. C. Dickey 8. D. Hudson
9. B. Taylor 10. B. Aiken 11. T. Pefferman 12. D. McCormick
13. T. Koah 14. C. Bochell 15. Who has the ball 16. After him



1. Line up. 2. Head down. 3. What's up? 4. Caught it. 5. Let's go. 6. Doug. Woodward. 7. The Band. 8. Al. 9. The Girls. 10. Waiting for action. 11. Who's that? 12. Paul. 13. Big Brass. 14. Bill. 15. Ed.

Football

September 16 — Union came to Mars and we lost our first football game 20-0. The Planets started out good by scoring first, but the touchdown was called back because of a penalty and that seemed to take something out of them because they couldn't get rolling afterwards.

September 24 — The Planets traveled to Sharpsville for their first game away from home. They looked like a much improved ball team, but they just couldn't seem to get going; although they made some good threats, they couldn't push it across. The final score — Sharpsville 13, Mars 0.

September 29. — The Planets went on their second away game to Darlington. They got off to a quick start in the game when they received the kickoff and in three plays Tim Koah raced 30 yards for a touchdown. The extra point was missed. The Planets kicked off and as the Darlington ball carrier was hit he fumbled and the Planets recovered. Five plays later the Planets scored again on a quarterback sneak by Rege Socash. After that the Planets couldn't seem to get going as Darlington scored two touchdowns and took the lead of 14-13. In the last quarter the Planets had a good chance to score but they failed. The final score was Darlington 14, Mars 13.

October 8 — Because of a heavy rain the game was postponed from the 7th to the 8th of October, and was played at West Deer. On the opening kick off, Carl Hazlitt ran 90 yards for a touchdown and that seemed to take something out of the Planets because they couldn't get started after that. Russ Spangenburg and Guff Wiegand made touchdowns for the Planets. Final score — West Deer 35, Mars 13.

October 14 — The sight of the annual Evans City-Mars game was not a pleasant one but it turned out good for the Planets because they won their first ball game. It looked bad for them in the early part of the game because Evans City started out fast to lead 9-0 at the end of the first quarter. In the second quarter Guff Wiegand took a pass from Rege Socash and ran 40 yards for a touch-

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down. At the half time the score was 9-7. The second half was all for the Planets because Tim Koah ran 30 and 50 yards for a touchdown. Guff Wiegand ran 90 yards on a pass interception. Final score — Mars 26, Evans City 15.

October 20 — Zelienople Bears invaded the Planets for their last home game of the year. The game started out like a free scoring game because the first time we got the ball Rege Socash ran 20 yards for a touchdown. Then Zelig raced to score and tied the game 6-6. The Planets ran to the 1 yard with Guff Wiegand leading, and Socash sneaked over. Zelig broke loose for two touchdowns to take the lead. From the 7-yard line Tim Koah went over for our third touchdown. Final score — Zelienople 25, Mars 18.

October 29 — The Planets traveled to Freedom for their next away game. Freedom was a powerful eleven that night, but the Planets also looked good. On the third play Guff Wiegand raced 70 yards for a touchdown which was called back because of a penalty. The Planets only scoring came when Tim Koah raced 30 yards for a touchdown. Final score Freedom 19, Mars 16.

November 4 — The Planets played their worst game of the year when they played at Plum Township. They just couldn't seem to get a scoring punch together. The Planets were weakened the week before by a strong Freedom team, and they weren't in the best of shape.

November 11 — The Planets traveled to Millvale for their last game of the season. Millvale scored first but it didn't take long for the Planets to catch up. Guff Wiegand took a pass from Rege Socash for a touchdown. Then late in the game Guff Wiegand ran 10 yards for the last touchdown. The final score — Millvale 27, Mars 13.

We would like to congratulate the following seniors; Dan McQueen, Regis Socash, Russ Spangenburg, and Guff Wiegand.

We would also like to congratulate our coaches, Mr. Danser, Mr. Girdwood, and Mr. Bitonti, and wish them success in the future games.



G. A. A.

Row 1: Mrs. Latshaw, S. Slater, B. Short, C. English, D. Meshanko, J. Ferguson, J. Tindall, J. Oswald, M. Coon, M. Porter, J. Coventry, M. Staley. Row 2: J. Theiss, P. Fiel, M. Buhl, M. Bender, S. Kennedy, D. Fogal, S. Dietz, N. Dierdorf, A. Coventry, D. McCandless, J. Collins, J. Mergenhagen. Row 3: C. Koacher, M. Schalag, S. Ball, M. Ruhl, A. Magee, S. Cole, A. Baker, D. Spangenburg, J. Proie, E. Hays. Row 4: E. Boyle, J. Charles, G. Shilling, E. Gray, E. Stone, A. Walters, J. Gregory, J. Maslowsky, J. McDonald, J. Monson, P. Boggs. Row 5: J. Crawford, D. Mowery, M. Nolan, S. Hackney, N. Hanna, N. Veccharella, C. Farrell, C. Johnson, P. Roman, H. Ball.

G. A. A.

The Girls Activities Association consists of sixty members; thirty of whom are seniors, twenty juniors, and ten sophomores.

At their first meeting, they elected their officers for this year. They are as followed: President — Arlene Baker, Vice President — Judy Hessler, Secretary — Susan Dietz, and Treasurer — Connie Farrell.

The theme of their annual fall semi-formal dance was "Autumn Fantasy." The theme song for this year's dance was the very appropriate "Autumn Leaves." According to custom, the grand march was led by the president, Arlene

Baker, and her date. The auditorium was decorated to represent a sidewalk cafe with a typical awning of brightly colored crepe paper and appropriate tables with a candle in the center.

The dance proved to be a success with the auditorium filled with swirling couples, which included many alumni who had come back for this event, dancing to the sweet and delightful music of Pete Bartoli and his band.

The seniors wish to thank their sponsor, Mrs. Latshaw, for making their last year in the club a success.

Class Prophecy

In 1976, twenty years after their graduation, four alumni from Mars High School decided to take a vacation from their work. They have been striving very diligently toward their goals, and now they are quite proud of their achievements. Dr. RUSSELL WHITESIDE, accompanied by Nurses LOIS EDDINGER and EVELYN LAWOTHER, joined the photographer, DAVE HAWKINS, to go on a long trip. After returning to their various homes they have written an account about their many experiences on their tour. This is a first-hand account from letters they have written to their friends.

"As we embarked from New York City on the ship, the U.S.S. Planet, we were met by the porter, LLOYD GREEN. While on route to our cabins we saw Captain TOM HUDSON and his first mate, RON HUBER. We went to the dining room after getting situated in our cabins, and there we saw MARION COON as head cook. Later we saw a water show with the star BERLENE LaFORCE. That night we were entertained by the great magician JOHN HUTCHISON."

"After a nice trip on board the ship we landed at Bermuda. We were met by the president of the Bermuda Short Company, REX-ANNE SCHNEIDER, with her three chief models, ROBERT BLACKSTONE, BOB BOICE, and ALBERT KRAMER. We then took a taxi to the hotel. Our driver was BILL WOOD who introduced us to the doorman, ROBERT WHITLEY. That evening we were entertained at the

beach by BETTY HAYS, the star of a popular water skiing show. Co-starring with her were ANNAMARY MAGEE, EDITH MAIER, and SUE DIETZ."

"The next day was Sunday, and we went to church. Much to our surprise we saw, in the pulpit, Rev. BRUCE COMSTOCK. Among the choir members were BILL OESTERLING, BILL REYNOLDS, and LARRY McCANDLESS."

"We said farewell to Bermuda and headed for the United States to see the Mardi Gras at New Orleans. As we enjoyed our flight we were visited by the pilot, JACK LEES, who had turned the controls over to the co-pilot, MILTON KOVAL. Our dinner was served by the hostess, DOROTHY MESHANKO."

"On our way to the Mardi Gras we stopped at Fort Myers, Florida to see the Pittsburgh Pirates in their spring training. At the pitcher's mound we saw GUFF WEIGAND winding up to strike RUSS SPANGENBURG out. They were bound to win the series with HOMER BLYSTONE as their manager. After leaving the field, we were met by our old classmate, BILL KEYS, who invited us to his resort, The Gateway, for a night's entertainment. That night we rented a car from the Vogel Car Agency and were personally driven to the Gateway by PAUL "bound-to-get-you-there-sometime" VOGEL. We arrived at the club around seven o'clock and were escorted to our table by LUCILLE SETZENFAND, the hostess. The entertainment con-

Class Prophecy

sisted of the "3-X Cheerleaders", BARBARA REMMEN, CAROLE ENGLISH, and MARGARET PORTER, doing the Cha-cha accompanied by DAVE NESBITT at the piano. After a very enjoyable evening, we were escorted to our car by JIM SCHMID, and were driven home to get ready for the exciting day ahead."

"The next day we rose bright and early and went out to the tennis court where we were surprised to see WILEY McKINLEY giving ESTHER HAYS some tennis instructions. After a strenuous morning of tennis, we boarded our plane and headed for New Orleans and the Mardi Gras."

"Upon arriving we were very surprised with the gala festivities of the Mardi Gras. We walked down the street and bumped into REGE SO-CASH dressed like a dragon. Then we saw something that was supposed to resemble a snake which turned out to be MARGARET WOLFRAM, DON STAMM, and EVA TAYLOR. While we were walking up the street we happened to spy the biggest and most beautiful float of all on which we saw the queen, ARLENE BAKER, and king, TOM BOGAN, with their six attendants, SUE SLATER, BETTY SHORT, PAT ROMAN, JUDY MERGANHAGEN, JANICE FERGUSON, and GAY GRAHAM. That night we went to the masquerade ball and saw DICK MAXWELL dressed as the Chief of Police, (some law we must have around here), BOB COX and DAN McQUEEN as the "Mighty Midgets", and NANCY VECCHARELLA, the Span-

ish dancer, singing "Lolita". Next we saw the terror of Highway 101, CHUCK KUSHNER, racing around the room chasing Maybelline, better known as JOYCE HENSELL."

"We said farewell to the Mardi Gras and boarded our train for Bumble Bee, Arizona. The conductor was REID MILLER, and the engineer was CARL SCHMIDT. Since we had one of the new jet-propelled trains, invented by GERALD ENSMINGER, we made the trip in eight hours."

"After making our residence at the Lazy MHS Ranch, we found out that BILL McAFEE was its rough and tough proprietor. Everyone was glad we had arrived in time for their rodeo. We saw HELAINE BALL there with one of her prize steers, and who did we find riding it but ED ARMSTRONG. We saw DONNA GEORTZ riding her big palomino leading the parade followed by SHIRLEY CHRISTNER and SALLY KENNEDY riding their twin chestnut horses. Doing some fancy trick riding were NANCY KIRBY and MARTHA MERCER. Our attention was then attracted to an arena where RUSS HACKETT was seen roping a wild steer. After this exciting event a bull fight was scheduled with "Wild" BILL BIERAU, the famous matador, fighting Ferdinand the Bull. He seemed to have run into some difficulty so GAY "ever ready" HARTUNG took over with his crazy mixed-up clown antics. Being interested in riding we decided to take some riding lessons. Giving instructions to the dudes were LOIS JEAN

Class Prophecy

HILGERT, SHIRLEY COLE, and JUDY COLLINS. To our surprise we saw them teaching EVELYN STEEB, ROBERTA MYERS, and GLADYS RAPE. Since we were from way out east our names appeared in the society column of the "Desert Star". We were amazed to find BILL WEIGAND as the editor and MARY RUHL as society column writer."

"On our return trip by plane to New York we stopped at Washington D.C., our nation's capitol. Who should we find resting comfortably in the President's chair but LYN-baby WALTERS. Serving as the "first lady" was JOAN TINDALL. The President's secretary turned out to be JOYCE MASLOWSKY. Among the members of the Cabinet were ALICE COVENTRY and NANCY DIERDORF. The head of the treasury department was HARRY LAWOTHER. Now we know where all of our money is going."

"We were going down Pennsylvania Avenue when we were stopped by that law abiding peace officer, BILL BAIR. When he recognized us as fellow classmates he said he would take us on a tour of this great city. First we went to see the Washington Monument. After a fine view of the city we started to walk down the stairway, instead of using the elevator. We happened to run into AUDREY DANNER and JOYCE KEIFER who were on their vacations from teaching. After leaving the monument we got into our car. Just out of curiosity, we turned on our radio and heard the familiar voice of

RONALD BLACK giving the latest news of the day. He related the facts about CAROLYN JOHNSON trying to get elected as the first woman president. Her running mate was DONNA LEONBURG. Suddenly, our attention was brought to a billboard on which was advertised the coming event of the world heavy-weight championship bout between HARRY BRATCHIE and LOWRY LEONBURG."

"After a very exciting trip we returned to Mars High School to see how things had progressed. To our surprise we found that CAROL CASHDOLLAR was the principal of the high school. She was daily assisted by her private secretary CORINNE BERNARDINA. The principal took us on inspection of our Alma Mater. We found DONNA McCANDLESS teaching French, CONNIE FARRELL teaching music, and PHYLLIS KING teaching history. To our amazement they had installed elevators donated by the successful businessman BILL VAUGHAN."

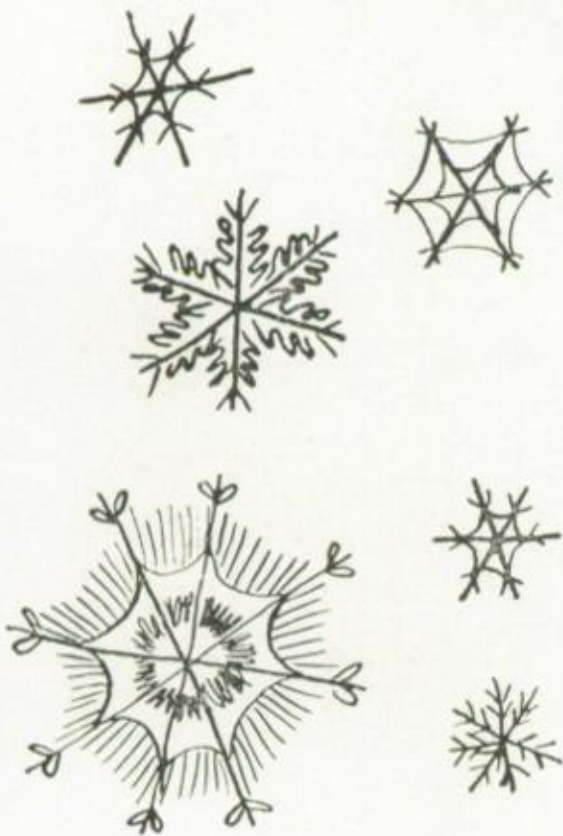
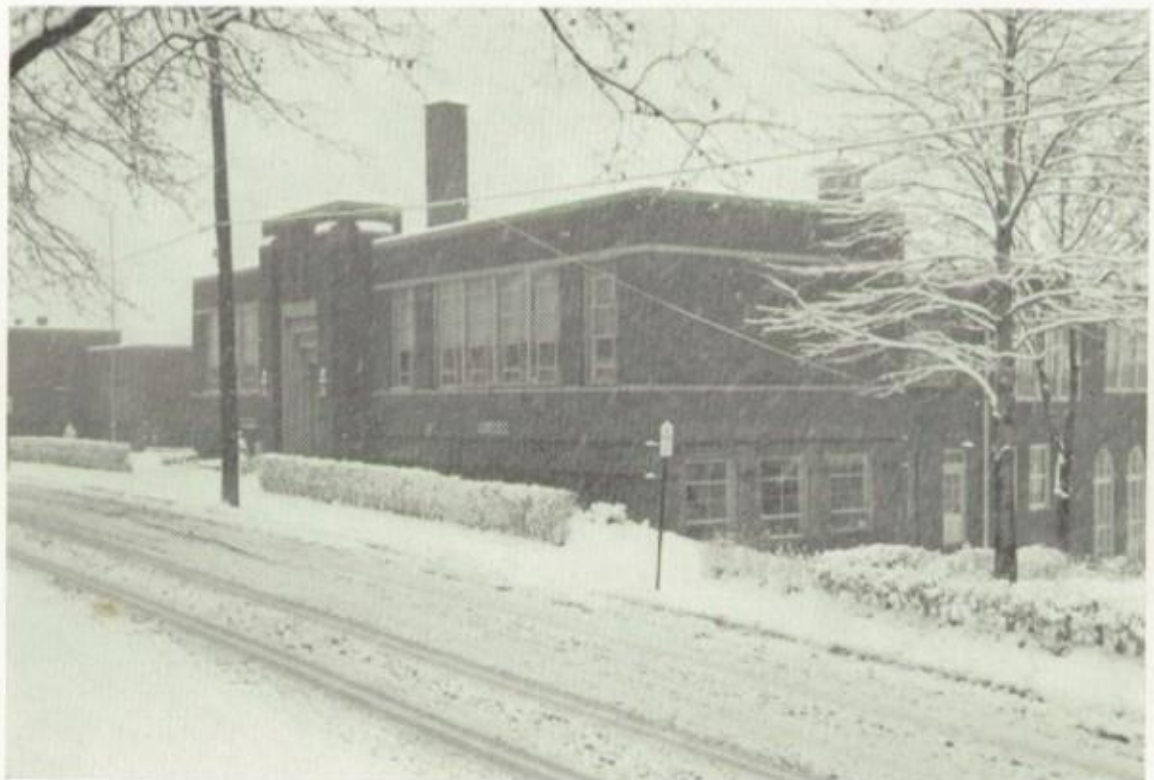
"We took a walk down the Main Street of Mars past JANICE OSWALD's beauty salon to the Mars Theater. Advertised outside the theater, on the billboard, were Casanova JACK McKINNEY, playing the leading role with "Glamour Girl" DOT FOGAL and "Little Perky" MARY CHATARY in "The Eternal Triangle".

"We left the city of Mars and headed for New York with many pleasant memories of our extensive trip."



1. Singer. 2. The Lineup. 3. Three's a Crowd. 4. Pajama Game. 5. Dot. 6. Dancer.
 7. Remember. 8. Sandy. 9. Bed-Time Story. 10. Little Girls. 11. More Little Girls.
 12. Two Feet. 13. Young Ones. 14. Big Noise. 15. Carol. 16. Remember. 17. Long
 Ago. 18. Friends. 19. Nancy. 20. Sleep Tight. 21. Cover Up. 22. Same Singer.
 23. Eva. 24. Maggie. 25. Where's the Bus?

Winter



Juniors



First Row: B. Aiken, M. Bender, C. Bosancic, J. Connors, C. Dickey, B. Fetterhoff. Second Row: F. Aiken, B. Burger, E. Boyl, J. Coventry, C. Dowling, N. Fisher.

First Row: D. Bailey, E. Biondo, B. Broxton, J. Crawford, L. Drew, B. Frazer. Second Row: B. Bair, P. Boggs, M. Buhl, D. Datt, J. Eddinger, F. Freeman. Third Row: J. Barr, J. Borland, R. Cole, J. Davenport, H. Evans, D. Fusca. Fourth Row: M. Bates, J. Bosack, M. Collier, T. Davis, L. Ferguson, B. Goerman.



Juniors



Row One: M. Goliat, L. Geortz, R. Hendricks, L. Hopper, J. Kalb, T. Koah.
 Row Two: J. Govan, S. Hackney, C. Henry, J. Hubal, J. Kaufman, C. Kocher.
 Row Three: R. Groom, J. Hanley, C. Hepler, D. Hudson, B. Kiel, M. Kristian.
 Row Four: R. Grossman, N. Hanna, J. Hessler, J. Huffman, C. Kiley, C. Leonburg.

Row One: A. Grove, J. Harris, T. Hitt, B. Johnson, G. Kanal, J. Limcheck.
 Row Two: B. Gumm, R. Kendrick, D. Hackenberry, N. Jonnet, C. Kirby, N. Licky.



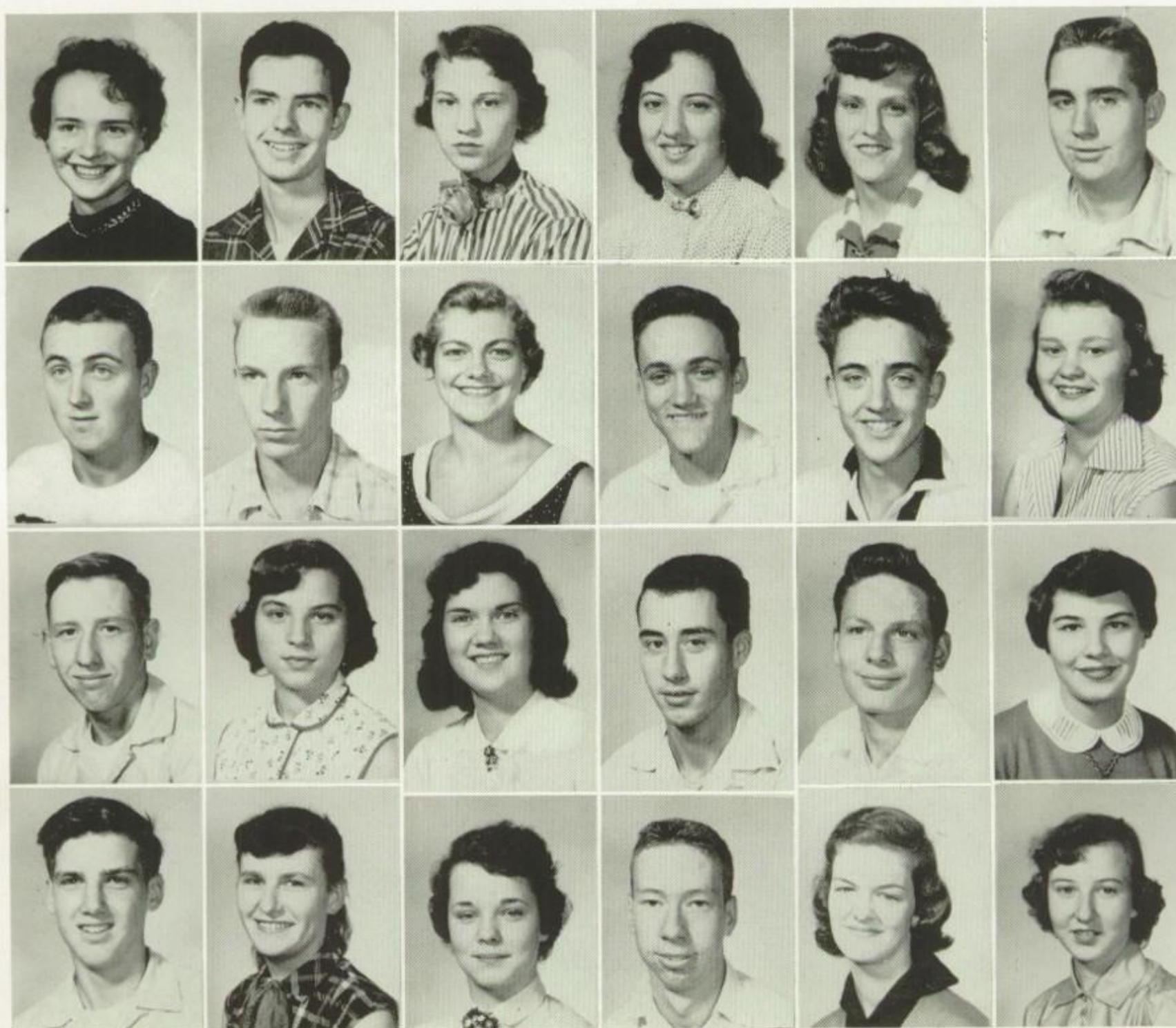
Juniors

*March 6"
R.A.M.*



Row One: D. Loskotch, D. McClain, K. Minor, A. Nichols, M. Pefferman, J. Proie.
Row Two: J. Loskosh, J. McDonald, J. Momeyer, J. Nieson, T. Pefferman, D. Purvis.

Row One: C. Luffy, T. McElory, D. Moyery, M. Nolan, J. Perry, K. Riemenschnider.
Row Two: W. Mahoney, E. McFarland, J. Monson, J. Nowaski, G. Poelcher, A. Rodgers.
Row Three: E. McAlpine, B. Migalic, C. Neithercoat, F. O. Connor, A. Polena, C. Santa Casa,
Row Four; B. Candless, C. Mincer, M. Nelson, B. O'Toole, J. Powers, C. Sauer.



Juniors

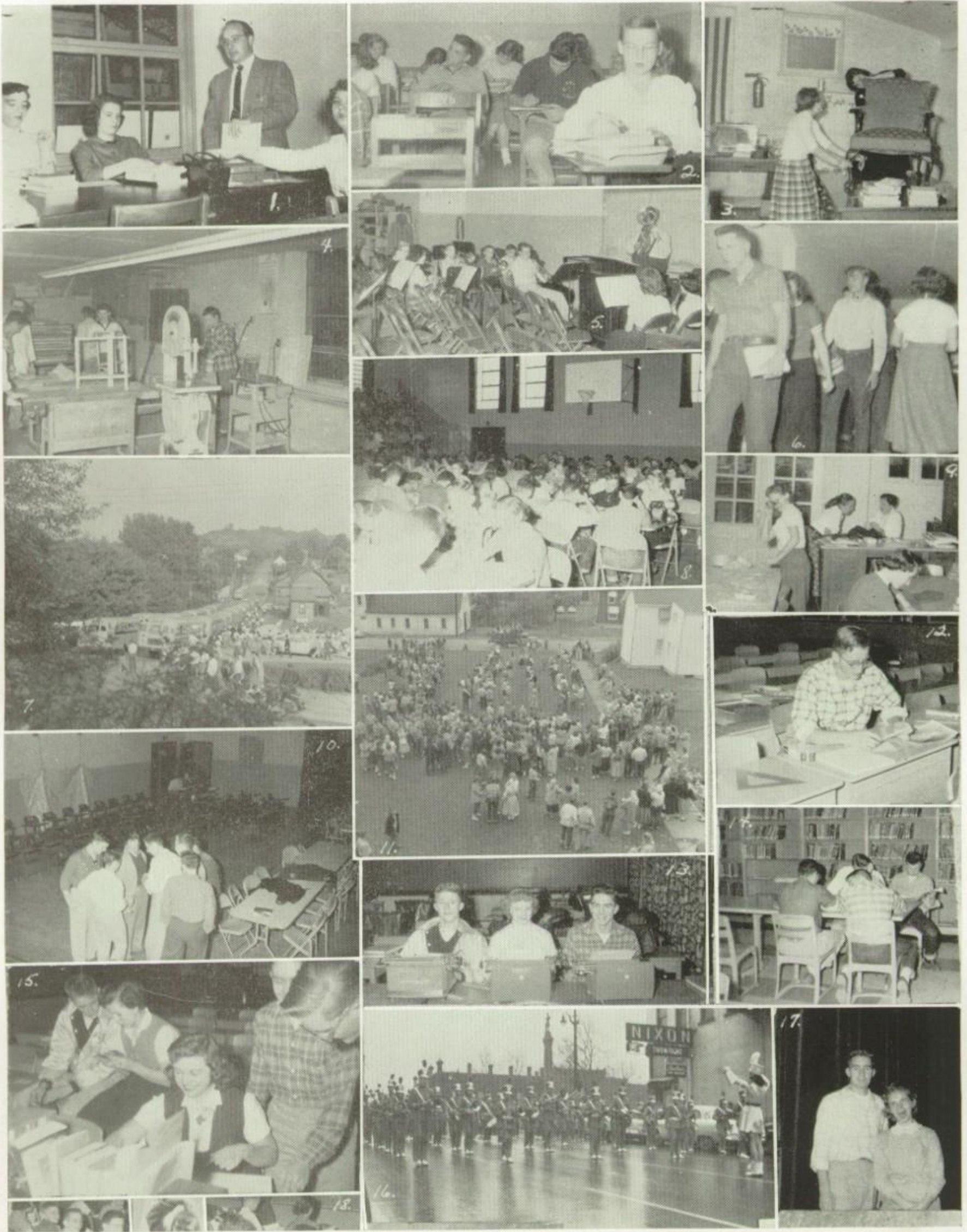
*Lots of Luck
(Scarf)
Frankie*



First Row: S. Schell, S. Shepard, S. Sontag, F. Staweck, C. Volz.
Second Row: M. Schmidt, M. Skraber, D. Spangenburg, P. Stoupe, R. Waring.

First Row: S. Seabrooke, D. Smith, M. Staley, E. Taylor, J. Wheeler;
Second Row: T. Shaw, K. Soergle, W. Staley, J. Theiss, S. Wheeler;
Third Row: R. Sherwood, R. Sommer, L. Stamm, M. Truver, A. Whitaker.





1. Lecture 2. Study 3. Upholstery Shop 4. Shop 5. Music 6. Change
Classes
7. Going Home 8. Study Hall 9. Sew 10. Bull S 11. Pep Rally
12. Sliderule-Expert 13. Typist Three 14. Library 15. Year Book Work?
16. We March 17. Wad De Say 18. Head



JUNIOR PLAY

Row 1: C. Kiley, T. Koah, J. O'Toole, B. McCandless, J. Davenport. Row 2: Miss McDanel, M. Staley, J. Monson, J. Hessler, K. Riemenschneider, J. Proie, N. Hanna. Row 3: B. Aiken, P. Boggs, M. Buhl, J. McDonald, D. Spangenburg, P. Fiel, J. Coventry, M. Bender, L. Hopper.

Junior Play

The Junior Class Play, "Don't Take My Penny," was a three-act play performed on December 2 and 3. It was directed by Miss McDanel and assisted by Janet Coventry.

Penny, a young girl of sixteen, wants to go to Hollywood. Her boyfriend, Kerry and his pal, Greg, try to stop her. Greg's crazy schemes cause confusion and are hilarious.

Sally, a maid who was once a child star, also wants to go to Hollywood; but she falls in love with Mark, Penny's brother.

With Gram's help everything works out all right. Penny stays to marry Kerry someday, and Sally stays to marry Mark. Mavis, Penny's older sister, who had been working at a radio station, gets a part and goes to Hollywood.

With the help of all the committees, the play was a success.

JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS

Pres., T. Koah; Vice Pres., M. Bates; Sec., P. Boggs; Treas., B. Johnson.



Sophomore Class



E. McCormick, V.P., Jim Garber, Pres., F. Griest, Treas., M. Schlag, Sec. (not pictured).

The Sophomore Class this year sponsored a movie, "Islands in the Sky", on December 8 at the Mars Theater.

This year the class was divided into five rooms, I, J, H, Sh.I, and Sh.II. The teachers for these rooms were Mr. Bennis, Mr. Thompson, Mrs. Wilkenson, Mr. Barrett, and Mr. Danser.

Members of the class were active in band, chorus, clubs, football, and basketball.

First Row: V. Hiles, R. Kuba, K. Nagel, M. Miles, M. Hart, C. Neil, K. Kress, P. Leistner.
 Second Row: P. Ruhl, L. Danner, M. Bastian, P. Kramer, J. Ryan, C. Jonnet, C. Correns, E. Duncan, A. Ekel.
 Third Row: P. McMurdo, A. Keefer, V. Craig, J. Straziar, J. Irwin, F. Kozakurski, A. McKee, T. Beals, J. Gurcak, M. Quaily.
 Fourth Row: A. Scheller, A. McCormick, R. Reader, D. Moore, G. Kennedy, C. Crosky, B. Thielman, R. Kraus, C. Curry, L. Kosher.



*Best of every thing.
Always.
Alise*

*Best always to you
Love, Mary*

Sophomores



First Row: J. Betcher, S. Oskin, J. Gregory, B. Stilt, E. Grey, N. Kennihan, M. Schlag, M. Crosby, N. Zollner, A. Walters. Second Row: F. Luran, C. Woodward, J. Hart, G. Anderson, R. Hudson, L. Herr, M. Ferguson, B. Fletchei, B. Layton, B. LotZbire. Third Row: J. Deitz, R. Lindsey, E. Knurakowski, F. Forrey, D. Reider, L. Roberts, J. Garber, C. Boshell, D. Woodward, D. Dicky. Fourth Row: D. McClain, F. Appleton, J. Christ, M. Sullivan, E. Hillen, S. Wright, G. Colton, J. Lennon, S. Dash, D. Keck.



First Row: C. Smith, E. Huffman, D. Hetrick, G. Love, B. Schellhaus, J. Hicks, M. Burford, F. Buzzard, M. MiCicco. Second Row: E. Martin, R. Pauls, S. Guiste, C. Morrison, J. Knobloch, A. Rush, S. Hutchison, L. Batykefer, B. Snow. Third Row: E. Stone, G. Mutzig, C. Fritz, B. Jones, B. Kelly, M. Darison, G. Fowler, T. Borland, B. Sheare. Fourth Row: B. Taylor, J. Lee, F. Griest, K. Harbush, W. Kelly, G. Kuhn, D. Neibar, H. Sims.



Row 1: N. Smith, P. Keifer, W. Edwards, M. Borland, B. Braum, R. Coon, M. Arnold, M. Crummy, D. Mills, M. Hanlin. Row 2: B. Beattie, P. Andrews, E. Fuhr, E. Porter, C. Nebel, G. Hohmann, J. Smeltzer, J. Lenowski, K. Fingel, D. Strickler. Row 3: D. Meyer, J. Lawther, W. Armstrong, F. Kratz, J. Shaw, R. Kennedy, B. Billinger, P. Kennedy, O. Minter. Row 4: K. Purvis, E. McCormick, B. Evers.

Row 1: N. Swinderman, M. Mitchell, N. Kennedy, B. Hawn, S. Ball, P. Richetts, M. Weimann, M. Thayler, J. Bane. Row 2: B. Davis, N. Harrigan, M. Elliot, J. Keener, D. Santaro, V. Jeffery, J. Charles, G. Shilling, C. Sheridan. Row 3: R. Krall, D. Wyeth, B. Wagle, G. Winter, C. McKee, M. Marshall, B. Crico, P. Pearce, J. Cole. Row 4: R. Eddinger, D. Parr, M. Yeager, N. Rogers, H. Shiver, D. Datt, L. Glanc, R. Biondo, S. Duff.



Cheerleaders



CHEERLEADERS

M. Porter, C. English, B. Remmen, A. Magee

Although there were only four cheerleaders this year, they certainly kept the crowds yelling. All four are seniors and will be replaced by six junior varsity cheerleaders: Judy Lemchak, Lilie Ann Ferguson, Sally Hackney — juniors; and Judy Smelscer, Linda Batykefer, Nancy Harrigan — sophomores.

This year the girls decided they didn't need a leader and got along very well without one. In order to make money for sweaters they sold programs at the basketball games and tickets for a dance held in the school auditorium.

Much credit is to be given to our "rah rah" gals, and we hope next year's cheerleaders will be as successful.

Basketball Coaches

Mr. Danser, Mr. Girdwood,
Mrs. Miles



Boys Basketball

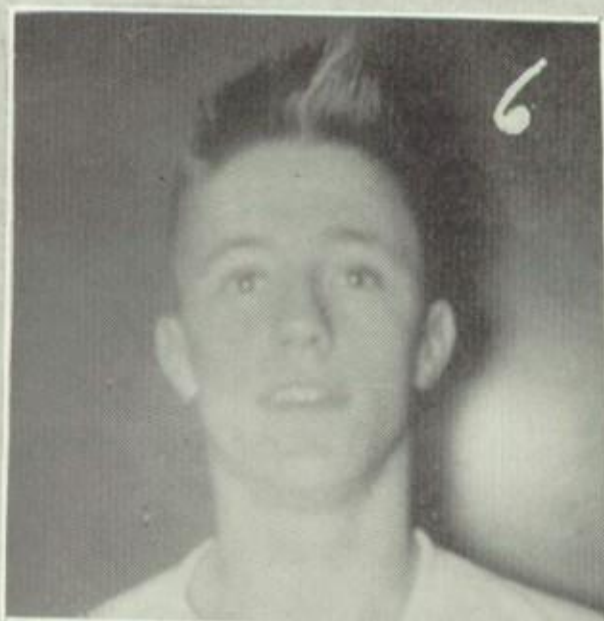
B. Gumm, T. Koah, R. Spangenburg, D. Wiegand, R. Socash, L. Walters,
A. Evans, D. McQueen, E. Crosky.



JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL

B. Rigley, B. Adams, D. Darr, F. Kratz, J. Hart, B. Penny,
K. Rumble, B. Aiken, J. Davenport, B. Thielman

Seniors



1 & 10, Lynn Walters. 2 & 11, Rege Socash. 3 & 9, Russ Spangenburg. 4 & 7, Dan McQueen. 5, Lloyd Green. 6 & 8, Guff Wiegand.



1. Higher. 2. Fans. 3. Shoot. 4. Pre-game practice. 5. Dandy Dick. 6. Jack Hardt.
 7. Missed. 8. Jump. 9. Jim. 10. Carl. 11. Bob and George. 12. Go man go! 13. It's
 in. 14. Fight. 15. We got it. 16. They got it. 17. Dick Fuscia. 18. Tim Koah.
 19. Hal Evans. 20. Fans. 21. Bob Adams. 22. Bill Penny. 23. Bob Gumm. 24. Chuck
 Croskey.



1. Play Catch 2. It's In. 3. Rebound. 4. Warm Up. 5. Looks Good. 6. Filed. 7. Where's the ball? 8. Missed. 9. Guff. 10. Run. 11. Convict.



1. Big. 2. Dancing. 3. Get your lesson. 4. Cuttie. 5. Big Date. 6. Jump. 7. Little Brucie. 8. In the park. 9. Pay attention. 10. Spanish. 11. Little Tom. 12. English. 13. Love is ??? 14. Captain. 15. Ruff. 16. Science. 17. Spring. 18. Summer. 19. Get dressed. 20. Queens. 21. Jim. 22. Jo. 23. Eek. 24. Sweetie. 25. Party. 26. Miss Americas. 27. Bad news.



1. Hungry. 2. Working Hard. 3. Williams. 4. Monroe. 5. "Ug onions. 6. Wow. 7. Chain Gang. 8. Sexy Remy 9. Cold. 10. Legs? 11. What a Pair. 12. Sleepy 13. Too much Bull. 14. Mature. 15. Possibilities. 16. Buddies. 17. In Love. 18. Well. 19. Connie. 20. Cheer Up. 21. When's The Date? 22. Who's Winning? 23. Juniors. 24. Easter. 25. Betty. 26. Bruce. 27. Kay. 28. Before Game. 29. Christmas. 30. Guess Who. 31. Pat.



Front Row — E. Hays, M. Coon, B. Short, J. Mergenhagen, S. Slater. Back Row — J. Theiss, D. Spangenburg, J. Tindall, N. Veccharella, R. Schneider, M. Schmidt, M. Nolan.

Girls Basketball

The girls' basketball team was coached by Mrs. Miles. At the beginning of the season they elected Betty Short captain and Marion Coon co-captain.

This year there were nine seniors: Betty Short, Marion Coon, Sue Slater, Judy Mergenhagen, Nancy Veccharella, Joan Tindall, Rexanne Schneider, Esther Hays, and Dorothy Meshanko, Manager.

The other members of the team were Marion Schmidt, Donna Spangenburg, Judy Theiss, Marilyn Nolan, and Alice Rodgers, Assistant Manager.



1 & 12, Betty Short. 2 & 19, Marion Coon. 3 & 9, Sue Slater. 4 & 17, Esther Hays. 5 & 10, Nancy Veccharella. 7 & 14, Joan Tindall. 8, Rexanne Sechneider. 10, Marilyn Nolan. 12, Marion Schmidt. 15, Donna Spangenburg. 18, All the gang. 6 & 16, Judy Margenhagen.



First Row: E. Gray, M. Ferguson, A. Swinderman, J. Gregory, A. Walters, V. Jeffreys, Mrs. Roberts

Second Row: M. Schlaug, M. Mitchell, J. Rimel, M. McKusbey, M. Thayer, M. Wieman, N. Kennedy, L. Herr

Third Row: B. Still, N. Kennihan, S. Ball, N. Harrigan, C. Sherdin, J. Charles, G. Shilling, R. Hudson, J. Betcher

Fourth Row: D. Datt, J. Christ, J. Garber, J. Cole, C. McKee, J. Hendricks, B. Lotzbire, J. Hart, B. Wagle

Latin Club

The first project the club members undertook was the selling of household cement. A handsome profit was made from this first project. A lot of hard work was put into the biggest event of the year—initiation. All who participated had great fun.

Everyone enjoyed movies shown by Mrs. Morris on Carthage. The party at the end of the year was attended by all, and second year students received gold pins for their achievements in Latin.

The officers for this year were as follows: President—James Garber, Vice President—Marguerite Schlag, Secretary—Janice Charles, and Treasurer—Joan Rimel.

French Club

The French Club began its sixth year here under the leadership of Miss Renison. It consists of eighteen members; fourteen are seniors, and four are juniors.

The officers for this year are as follows: President—Russ Spangenburg, Secretary-Treasurer—Barbara Johnson.

Plans were made for the annual initiation in January.

First Row: D. Hudson, H. Lawther, B. Gumm, B. Wood, R. Spangenburg, B. Reynolds, R. So-cash, A. Whitaker

Second Row: Miss Renison, Mr. Ruhl, A. Coventry, L. Hilgert, B. Johnson, C. Johnson, P. Roman, C. Farrell N. Veccharella, E. Hays, H. Ball





Mr. Skacan

Driver Education

This was a new course in our school this year under the leadership of Mr. Skacan. We were very happy to have this course and we hope that we are now better drivers. The course consisted of eight or more hours behind the wheel and thirty or more hours in the classroom.

Each student had three chances to pass the Pennsylvania state driving test after completing the course.

The Dope

This year the Senior Speech class put out a new paper called "The Dope." The paper is made up of one sheet and contains all the latest events, advertisements, and gossip of the school. It comes off the press once a week and is enjoyed by all of the student body.

Congratulations to the seniors and Mrs. Lashaw for making the paper a success.

THE DOPE

Row 1: S. Slater, H. Ball, E. Hays, A. Magee, M. Chatary, J. Oswald, S. Cole, M. Porter. Row 2: C. Johnson, R. Schneider, Miss Aloe, Mrs. Lashaw, N. Veccharella, J. Mergenhagen. Row 3: G. Ensminger, B. Comstock, R. Black, C. Cashdollar, C. Farrell, C. Bernardina, G. Wiegand, A. Coventry, D. McCandless.

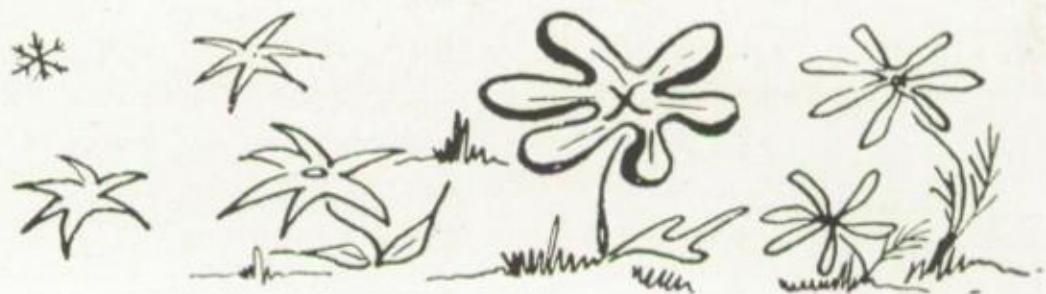
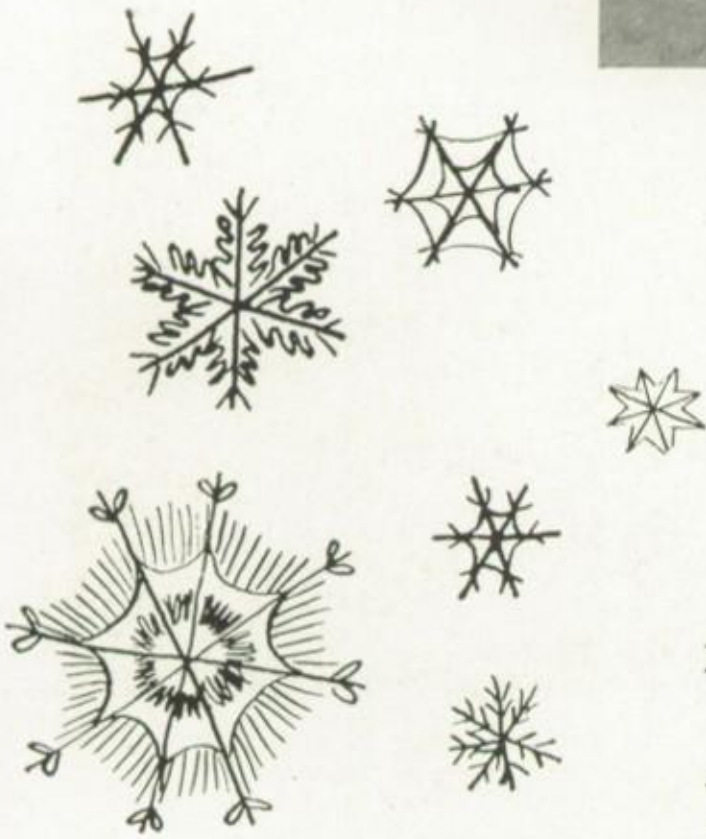
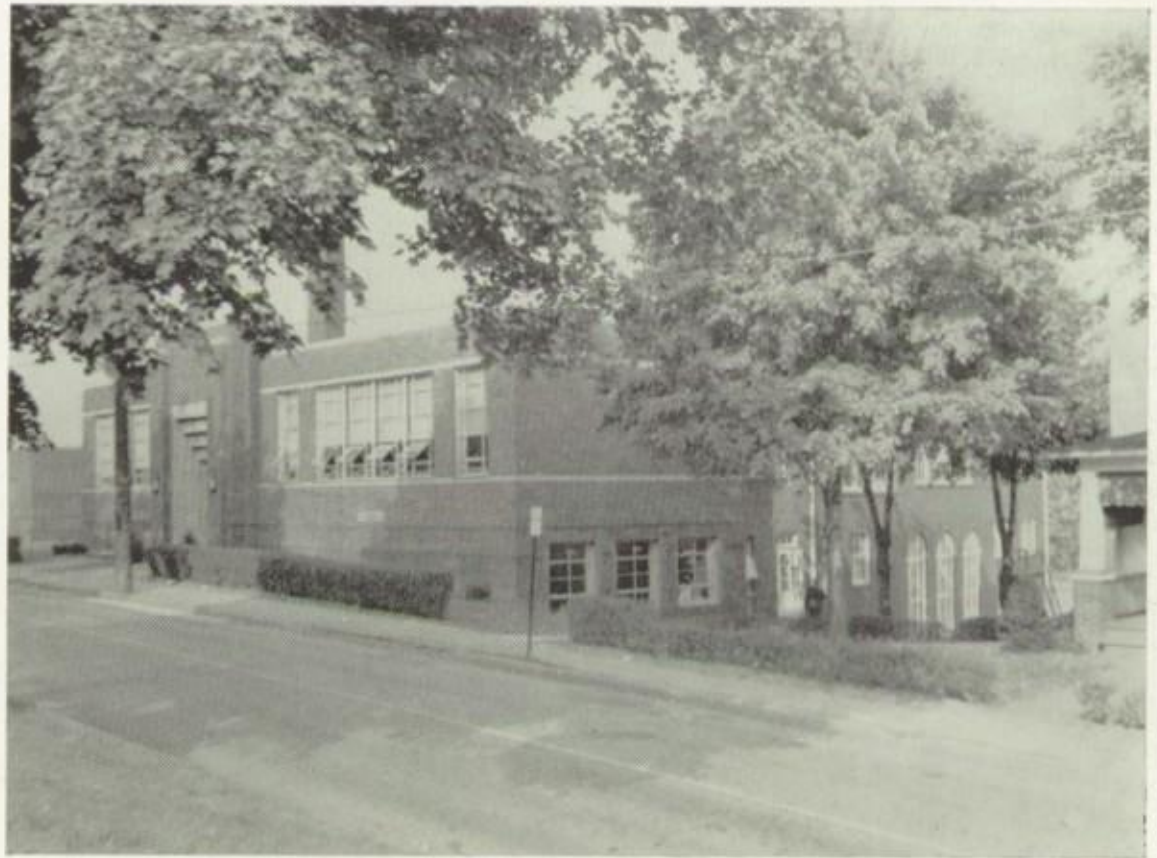


*Senior, best to go that has beautiful hair.
And also lives near my sister.*



1. Betty, Lil & Moreen. 2. Sam & Marge. 3. That's a toe. 4. Edie & Snazz. 5. Jean.
6. Shirley. 7. Bathing beauty. 8. Farmers. 9. What class? 10. Joan, Judy & Mary Ann.
11. Alice. 12. Joca. 13. All Pro Defensive Line. 14. Leaning post. 15. Duck & friend.
16. Jap fisherman. 17. Senior officers. 18. Real cat. 19. Kelly & Dave. 20. Little Donna.
21. Dancers. 22. Mother's helper. 23. Loafers. 24. Nancy on K. P. 25. Don't cry.
26. Lynn. 27. Barb's the cook. 28. It's a tree. 29. Two wheels. 30. Study. 31. Rain-
ing Ester? 32. Yes, that's snow. 33. Our David. 34. Break Joan. 35. Typists. 36.
Rare photo. 37. Kuni & gang. 38. Rehearsal.

Spring



Freshmen



First Row: P. Purvis, J. Kalmeyre, R. Shellhass, R. Scheiden, B. Adams, W. Peterson, H. Anderson, B. White;
 Second Row: K. Wakefield, S. McClymans, C. Farrell, B. Bauchman, R. Rose, G. Graham, B. Patch, G. Boyle.
 Third Row: L. McMekeen, L. Edwards, P. Starr, S. Christonson, J. Beguer, K. Stirling, M. Feuey, N. Groom,
 E. Duff, K. Osterling, K. Maxwell. Fourth Row: C. Seese, M. Wilson, F. Hillman, B. Patten, M. Schmidt, N.
 Harstill, J. Berger, J. Shaw, S. Peters, E. Moore, E. Creese.

First Row: N. Knowles, C. Stulen, P. Leonburg, K. Hickson, R. Kleber, V. Fetzer, G. Mulinaro, N. Sharrer, D.
 Kinzer. Second Row: J. Hammond, B. Roberts, L. Bartley, I. Gice, J. Engbarth, L. Roman, R. Easter, L. Fer-
 guson, C. Hackney, V. Park. Third Row: J. Shields, D. Darr, L. Benton, B. Dayton, B. Thompson, B. Lichy,
 B. Schuster, D. Carey, J. Boice, M. Loucks. Fourth Row: R. Schnider, J. Hoke, B. Penny, H. Houpt, F. Tobac,
 R. Rose, J. Braun, M. Stauffer.



Freshmen



First Row: C. Kozik, D. Morrow, M. Skinner, G. Forsythe, L. Ruthowski, M. Fugh, D. Vollner, A. Chaise, R. Patton. Second Row: W. Coleman, M. Brown, E. Blackburn, J. Eckenrode, E. Seese, L. Neison, L. Nowakowski, R. Herb, T. Morin. Third Row: J. Kirby, W. Smith, M. Henry, R. Groven, R. Ritter, A. Sherm, W. Adams, D. Breckinridge, R. Koe, R. Czak, P. McKeon.

First Row: M. Wright, J. Relihan, C. Fyke, A. Fuhr, S. Carney, C. Clark, S. Carney, W. Harbison. Second Row: R. Corian, B. Nemes, J. Burk, J. Blystone, L. Smith, P. Crockey, N. Webster. Third Row: R. Kanline, G. Fetterhoff, J. Gyger, J. Neithercoat, R. Jenerski, L. Eurich, W. Mahle. Fourth Row: A. Stewart, C. Carlsen, B. Wynn, R. Morgan, H. Kuni, T. Blazanin, R. Finecey.



Freshmen



Row One: J. Shaufl, J. Truver, J. Wier, D. Fester, B. Kuhnt, L. Cole, S. Feil, N. Shearer. Second Row: C. Jarrett, J. Ross, C. Wiles, S. Freeberg, G. Graner, M. McWilliams, H. Seraber, C. Fleck. Third Row: L. Hutzley, W. Sontag, C. Venezia, K. Mastrilli, D. Schmit, R. Hariss, J. Ewing, F. Burk. Fourth Row: E. Davidson, R. Thomas, C. Staley, G. Nichols, R. Zera, J. Pint, H. Pefferman, C. Theiss, L. Brennon.

First Row: B. Smith, G. Ellsworth, C. Walker, H. Kelly, G. Andrews, J. McClain, H. Gray, J. Sawyer, B. Love, B. Moon. Second Row: J. Klein, H. Kretzer, L. Heller, R. Zinkhan, I. Gurocak, C. Bollinger, C. Masartis, M. Hetrick, D. Wise, B. McKinney. Third Row: F. Augustine, C. Whitaker, D. Lond, J. Bair, R. Heginbotham, J. Wright, D. Kraus, B. Hill, H. Clark, E. Bogan.



Freshmen



FRESHMEN OFFICERS

B. Roberts, Sec., B. Penny, Pres., L. Ferguson, V. P.,
P. Purvis, Treas

The Freshmen Class adapted themselves to their new surroundings—the auditorium—very well with Mr. Downie, Mr. Ebner, Mr. Holmok, and Mr. Skacan in charge.

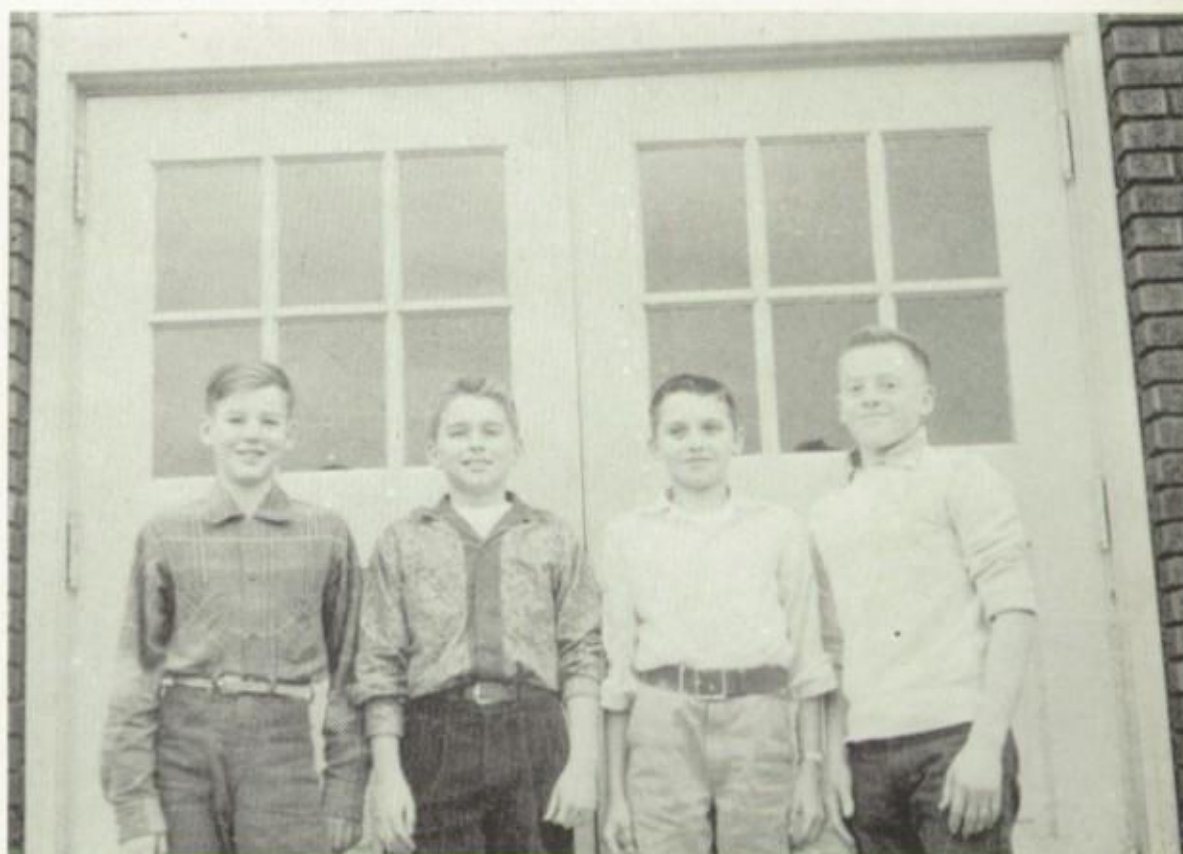
Officers were elected in the beginning of the year. They were as follows: President—Bill Penny, Vice President—Roberta Easter, Secretary—Bev Roberts, Treasurer—Peggy Purvis, and Student Council—Judy Ross.

Eighth Grade

This year's Eighth Grade was divided into three rooms—L, M, and N—with Miss Standen, Mrs. Miles, and Mr. Campbell as their home room teachers.

Their activities have consisted of several parties.

The class officers were as follows: President—Dave Roberts, Vice President—Jim Davinson, Secretary—Bob Smith, and Treasurer—Jim Bashline.



EIGHTH GRADE OFFICERS

B. Smith, Sec., D. Roberts, Pres., J. Davison, V. P.,
J. Bashline, Treas.

Eighth Grade



Row 1: P. McCandless, E. McCombs, B. Kennedy, S. Laird, H. Ebert, L. Raugh, J. Sheppe, M. Borland, B. Prosky. Row 2: G. Truver, D. Bower, A. Wieman, D. Bolstridge, G. Fiel, N. Moss, C. Neibar. Row 3: J. Baker, S. Minter, D. Sheridan, T. Miller, F. Wolf, J. Maier.



Row 1: J. McGrath, J. Cunningham, J. Coventry, B. Vogel, B. McDonald, D. Roberts, D. Cooper, R. Batykeefer, J. Davison. Row 2: N. Davison, D. Kowley, S. Mincer, D. Kennedy, L. Truver, J. Clark, P. Wiesert, D. Wolf. Row 3: B. Kennedy, R. Peters, B. Smith, J. Bashline, B. Hoke.



Row 1: A. Shoupe, A. Urick, D. Fletcher, G. Logan, B. Peterson, W. Mitchel, J. Little, R. Miller, B. Paga, D. Kennedy. Row 2: J. Mincer, K. Laird, B. Davison, M. Neel, B. Guist, S. Cooper, S. Wharton, V. Hagen, C. Pieffer, D. McKinney, D. Sylvester.



Shorthand Club

Row 1: S. Slater, B. Short, M. Coon, E. Taylor, E. Maier, M. Ruhl, S. Kennedy, E. Lawther.

Row 2: R. Myers, J. Meslowsky, P. Wolfram, B. LaForce, A. Magee, B. Remmen, S. Christner, D. Leonburg, L. Stetzenfan

This year the Shorthand Club was made up of twenty business students who worked very hard, under the help and advice of Miss Aloe, to raise money, by selling candy, so they could take a trip to Pittsburgh to visit different companies.

They also had a project, at Christmas time, where they gave toys and clothing to a family who were burned out of their home.

The club officers this year were as follows: President—Eva Taylor, Secretary—Joyce Maslowsky, and Treasurer—Peggy Wolfram.

The Shorthand Club of '56 leaves wishing next year's club luck and success.

This year the Hall Patrol was made up of fifteen senior boys who were picked from their home rooms last year.

The boys have done a good job in keeping order in the halls. We have to give them credit even if they took the candy that we tried to sneak past them between classes.

The Hall Patrol was under the leadership of Mr. Downie.

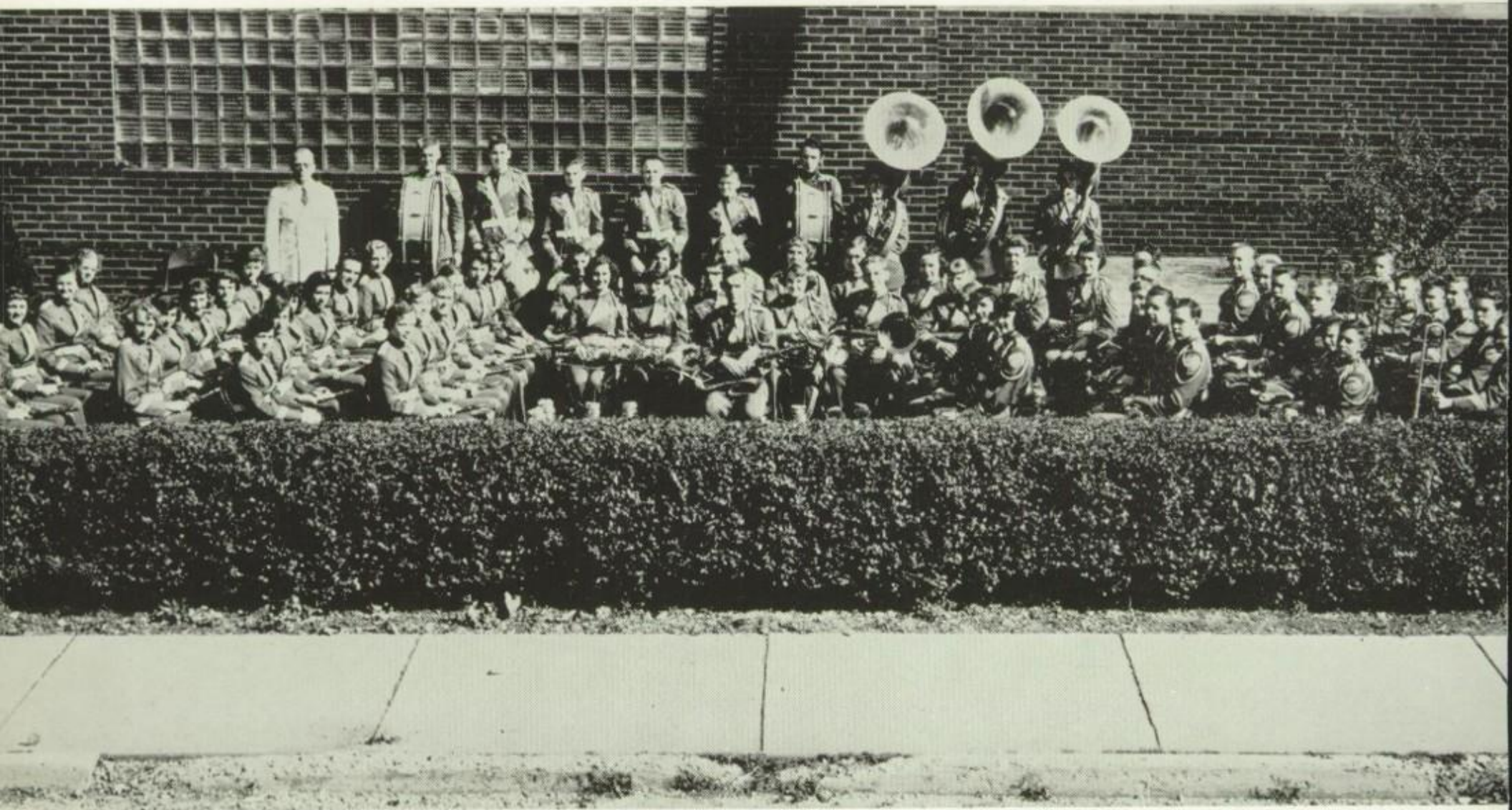
Hall Patrol

Row 1: T. Bogan, J. Ensinger, B. Reynolds, H. Lawther, B. McAfee

Row 2: R. Black, H. Blystone, H. Bratchie, D. Wiegand, R. Spangenburg

Row 3: D. McQueen, R. Socash, W. Wiegand, A. Kramer, B. Cox





Concert Band

The Concert Band held its annual spring show. They also played for the Junior Play, May Day, and the Senior Play.

Drum Majorette





1. Big Eyes. 2. Funny. 3. Careful. 4. Little Jake. 5. Freshmen? 6. Dig that group. 7. Out Door Plumbing. 8. Who's Who? 9. Lover Boy. 10. Just Right. 11. Legs. 12. Lovers. 13. Lone Ranger. 14. Girl Scouts. 15. Where's Romeo?

Girls Ensemble

Under the direction of our music director, Mr. Ebner, the girls have done a very good job. This year the ensemble consisted of twelve regular members and six substitutes. The substitutes were Janet Coventry, Nancy Lickey, Annamary Magee, Joy Monson, Roberta Myers, and Joan Proie. They were accompanied by Carol Cashdollar.

The girls met at noon every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Arlene Baker was their leader.

They took part in the Christmas program, "The Nativity," in which they sang "Rocking." The group also took part in many social events in and around Mars.

GIRLS ENSEMBLE

Row 1: A. Baker, M. Collier, J. Hessler, E. Hays, C. Kocher, J. McDonald. Row 2: C. Neith-ercoat, M. Staley, E. Boyle, P. Roman, C. Cashdollar, C. Far-rell, H. Ball.



F. F. A.

Vocational Agriculture was started in Mars High School eight years ago. The department has grown rapidly and is continuing to grow.

The F. F. A. chapter, the organization for and by Vocational Agriculture students, serves to help boys to become better leaders for the organization and for the society in which they will live after high school.

When the F. F. A. first started in Mars, the boys only carried one or two projects. Today boys in the same course are carrying five or six projects. This will make the students better prepared to enter farming when they leave high school.

This year we have added a new program to our regular Agriculture program, we call it Junior Vocational Agriculture. Through this program we hope to give boys in the eighth grades, of Mars High School and Middlesex School, a pre-course training in Agriculture and help them become established in a project program.

The F. F. A. is under the leadership of Mr. Myer.



F. F. A.

Row 1: Mr. Myer, L. Green, J. Schmid, W. McKinley, C. Schmidt, B. Whitley, G. Hartung, B. Boice, D. Datt. Row 2: R. Kraus, B. Grove, J. Govan, B. Hay, B. Mahoney, F. Aiken, R. Grossman, W. Kennedy, R. Wagner. Row 3: R. Jones, F. Augustine, B. Hill, V. Kremir, K. Purvis, D. Wayner, R. Jones, B. Bollinger, O. Minter. Row 4: H. Kretzer, R. Zinkham, L. Hellia, D. Lind, P. Kennedy, J. Fawcett, J. Gair, R. Stuart, Wright, Higenbotham, C. Whitaker.

Junior Agriculture



JUNIOR AGRICULTURE

Row 1: Mr. Meyer, J. McGrathy, P. Apple, D. Fowler, J. Lees, A. Unich, L. Zweigert, B. Paga. Row 2: B. Kennedy, R. Peter, H. Hutichson, D. Collier, H. Thaymen, R. Miller, A. Weimair, A. Shoup, W. Mitchell. Row 3: D. Bouer, T. Miller, F. Wolfe, J. Maier, D. Kennedy, H. Croop, M. Miles, A. Maier, W. Schulz. Row 4: J. Little, B. Patterson, B. Hagens, M. Muska, J. Smelscer, J. Smith, W. Schenck, R. Paga.



BOYS VARSITY CLUB

Row 1: T. Koah, R. Spangenburg. Row 2: D. McQueen, D. Hudson, R. Socash, J. McFarland, D. Wiegand, Mr. Girdwood.



Boys Varsity Club

The officers of the Boys Varsity Club this year were as follows: President—Russ Spangenburg, Vice President—Guff Wiegand, and Secretary-Treasurer—Rege Socash.

The club had a lot of new members this year and they helped to get sweaters for the seniors. The boys held a party at the end of the year.

Many thanks to Mr. Girdwood for being our sponsor.

Girls Varsity Club

The Varsity Club consisted of twelve members. The officers were: President—Betty Short, Vice President—Marion Schmidt, Secretary-Treasurer—Esther Hays.

The club worked very hard to earn money to buy nine sweaters for the seniors. Congratulations to the new members of the club and to Mrs. Miles for being their sponsor.



GIRLS VARSITY CLUB

Row 1: N. Veccharella, D. Spangenburg, R. Schneider, J. Theiss, M. Schmidt, Mrs. Miles. Row 2: M. Molan, D. Meshanko, J. Mergenhagen, M. Coon, S. Slater, B. Short.

Alumni

Kathleen Aiken.....	Teaching—St. Alphonsus
Patricia Altman.....	Howard Johnson's
Nancy Augustine.....	Secretary—Richland Township School
Robert Augustine.....	Edinburgh College
Jay Baxter.....	Pitt University
Barbara Bender.....	Household Finance
Bonnie Boggs.....	U. S. Steel Company
Beverly Boggs.....	Williams Co., Pittsburgh
Sarah Brannon.....	Kaufman's
Mary Bratchie.....	Mellon Bank, Pittsburgh
Ann Brooker.....	Slippery Rock College
Deanna Campbell.....	Grove City College
Catherine Cashdollar.....	Mrs. Fred Nicholes
William Christner.....	Russell Supply Company
Dorothy Cooper.....	Geneva College
Edward Datemasch.....	Penn State University
Mary Davenport.....	Mt. Mercy College
Barbara Davison.....	Mars National Bank
Claire Davies.....	Westminster College
Ralph Dowling.....	Home
Neal Davidson.....	William Long Company
Kathleen Durno	Allstate Insurance
Esther Eckel.....	Suncrest Restaurant
Marlene Ehrhart	Home
Margaret English.....	Pittsburgh Coke & Chemical Company
Wendall Evans.....	Paratroopers
Edward Evers.....	City Service
Daniel Farrell.....	Farrell Fins
Georga Ferguson	Westminster College
Luella Ferguson.....	Presbyterian Hospital, Pittsburgh
Ejner Freeburgh.....	Mars A & P
Raymond Foley.....	Radiator Service
Iva Fuhr.....	Sanford Motors, Inc.
Kenneth Gordon.....	Iron City Chemical Company
James Gray.....	Maryville College, Tennessee

Alumni

Marjorie Hanchett.....	Home
Florence Hart.....	Home
Barbara Hawkins.....	Mrs. Kenneth Fernstrom
Richard Henry.....	Natural Gas Company, Mars
Robert Hitt	Home
Dorothy Hoffman	Secretary
Lenor Hofmann.....	Westminster College
Charles Hornyak.....	Farming at home
Delores Huffman.....	Nurses Training, Shadyside
Judith Inda.....	Mt. Union College
Sarah Irwin.....	Kaufman's
Harold Kennedy.....	Farming at home
David Kuntz.....	Salesman
Robert Lamberson.....	W. J. Russ—Plumbing
Marlene Landstedt.....	People's Natural Gas
Carol Leslie	Home
Paul Lewis	Marines
Don Madl.....	Mars A & P
Robert Marsh	Army
Wayne Mattern	Army
Charles McCormick.....	All Air Products Company
William McCandless.....	Evans City Supply
Patricia McCandless.....	Pennsylvania Floor Covering, Pitts.
James McFarland.....	Cornell University
Carol McKenzie.....	Nurses Training
Marilyn McKee.....	Mrs. Louis Costella
Patricia McKinney.....	Howard Johnson's
Charles Mills.....	Air Force
Dolores Mincer	Home
Margaret Moody.....	Mrs. Peron
Hugh Moore.....	W. J. Lumber—Wexford
Alethea Murphy.....	Teaching—Seton Hill College
Richard Nalepa.....	B & O Railroad
William Neel.....	Porco's Cleaners
Ronald Meithercoat.....	Army Airborne
Joanne Nolan.....	Mrs. Edward Van Gorder

Alumni

James O'Toole.....	Porco's Cleaners
Gail Papera.....	Mt. Mercy College
Richard Papera.....	Equitable Gas Company
Charles Pearce.....	Pearce Turkey Farm
Robert Penny.....	Bucknell University
Barbara Powell.....	Westminster College
Edna Reader.....	North Pittsburgh Telephone Company
Carol Riemenschneider.....	Shadyside Hospital
Barbara Robertson	Coppers
Joan Russo.....	Premier Foods
Joseph Rutkowski	Tri-State College
Carol Sable.....	Allegheny General Hospital
Sylvia Schafer.....	Jones & Laughlin Steel Corporation
William Schmidt.....	Army Airborne
Robert Schwan.....	Ohio Turnpike
Mary Seabrooke.....	Home
Carol Shearer.....	Waynesburgh College
Shirley Shick.....	Playtime Equipment
Barbara Silvester.....	Home
David Sims.....	Home
Warren Shoop.....	Wolverine Oil Company
Stella Smith.....	Allegheny General Hospital
Olive Stone.....	Grant Building, Pittsburgh
Nancy Swinderman.....	Ben Franklin Insurance
Madelon Speer.....	Grove City College
David Taylor.....	North Pittsburgh Telephone Company
George Thieleman.....	Adams Township Road Construction
Audrey Vollmer.....	Kaufman's
Earl Wheeler.....	National Fence Company
Barbara Wheeler.....	Kaufman's
Donald Wix.....	Westminster College
Herman Wolf.....	Grove City College
Sandre Wood.....	Allegheny College
Ernestine Worhatch.....	Duquesne
Betty Zimmerman	Westinghouse



MIXED CHORUS

Row 1: Mr. Ebner, C. Kirby, A. Magee, N. Lichey, M. Truver, M. Collier, J. Momeyer, L. Stamm, T. Hitt, P. Mincer, P. Boggs, J. Kaufman, M. Buhl, M. Porter, J. Ferguson, C. Leonburg, B. Mecalic. Row 2: S. Kennedy, M. Goliat, J. Maslowsky, C. Henry, S. Slater, D. Meshanko, C. English, N. Hanna, S. Hackney, L. Ferguson, L. Drew, D. Hockenberry, C. Santa Casa, J. Borland, M. Bender, N. Fisher. Row 3: D. Fogel, S. Cole, M. Kristian, J. Perry, G. Graham, J. Monson, S. Wheeler, C. Voltz, M. Skraber, B. Broxton, M. Nelson, B. Fetterhoff, J. Coventry, J. Crawford, D. Spangenburg. Row 4: E. Boyle, J. Collins, D. McCandless, C. Cashdollar, J. Tindall, J. Hessler, S. Dietz, H. Ball, A. Rodger, C. Kocher, P. Stoup, D. Mowery, P. Fiel, J. McDonald, J. Proie. Row 5: M. Staley, C. Neithercoat, C. Boxancic, J. Theiss, D. Loskoch, M. Schmidt, B. Johnson, C. Farrell, C. Johnson, N. Veccharella, M. Nolan, J. Huffman, C. Luffy. Row 6: W. Reynolds, W. Oesterling, W. McCandless, L. McCandless, D. Hunson, R. O'Toole, J. Wheeler, B. Comstock, R. Berger, R. Summers, R. Spangenburg, T. Koah, K. Riemenschneider, J. Davenport, B. Wood.

Mixed Chorus

The Mixed Chorus was made up of eighty seniors and juniors and was under the capable direction of Mr. Ebner. The chorus was accompanied by Mary Ellen Staley.

At Christmas time the chorus presented "The Nativity" telling of the birth of Christ. The solo parts were sung by Judy Lemchak, Mary Kristian, Bruce Comstock, Russ Spangenburg, and Tim Koah. Practice for this performance started in August, during vacation, and continued through December.

In the spring the chorus took part in the annual band and choral concert which was a great success.

Many thanks to Mr. Ebner for the wonderful job he has done this year.

Sophomore Girls' Chorus

The very capable Sophomore Girls' Chorus was under the direction of Mr. Ebner. All girls in the chorus must be sophomores. The girls have worked hard to make their music enjoyable and to bring pleasure to those who hear them.

This year the chorus took part in the Christmas program, "The Nativity," and also in the annual band and choral concert held in the spring.

We hope next years chorus will maintain the fine rating these girls have earned.

SOPHOMORE CHORUS

Row 1: L. Batykefer, C. Morrison, B. Snow, B. Stitt, E. Gray, L. Kohser, D. Hetrick. Row 2: M. Schlag, L. Herr, E. Stone, J. Remil, M. Mitchell, G. Love, J. Gregory, M. Ferguson. Row 3: M. Elliot, D. Santoro, B. Hawn, S. Oskin, C. Fritz, G. Mutzig, M. Davis, J. Bane, M. Davison. Row 4: N. Kennedy, M. Wiemann, N. Zollner, N. Swinderman, J. Keener, A. Walters, S. Ball, N. Kennihan.





1. Smilly. 2. Swimming. 3. Santa Clause. 4. Dressed Up. 5. What's This? 6. Go To Sleep.
7. Winney Roast. Telling Jokes. 9. The Pres.



SPANISH CLUB

Row 1: Miss McDanel, D. Fogal, S. Dietz, N. Dierdorf, J. Ferguson, J. Mergenhagen, A. Baker, J. Oswald, J. Tindall. Row 2: B. Osterling, B. Comstock, C. English, D. Meshanko, J. Collins, S. Cole, B. Wiegand, D. McQueen. Row 3: L. McCandless, D. Hawkins, C. Kushner, B. Bair, T. Bogan, B. McAfee, L. Walters.

Senior Play

"I Love Lucy," a delightful and hilarious comedy, was presented April 6 and 7, 1956 under the direction of Mrs. Lois Latshaw.

The cast presented its interpretation of the Ricardos' various financial and home life problems with the ever-present eavesdropping Ethel and landlord Fred.

Difficulties arose when Peggy (a neighbor girl) decides she wants Ricky to take her to a dance and Arthur decides he is in love with Lucy.

Spanish Club

The Spanish Club consists of twenty-four members. The club initiated fourteen new members in January which gave them thirty-eight.

The officers for this year were as follows: President—Dan McQueen, Vice President—Tom Bogan, Secretary—Judy Mergenhagen, and Treasurer—Bill Oesterling.

Plans were made for the Fiesta which was in April.

Everyone in the club would like to thank their teacher, Miss McDanel, for her leadership.

SENIOR PLAY

Row 1: C. Farrell, S. Dietz, N. Veccharella, J. Oswald, Mrs. Latshaw. Row 2: R. Socash, B. Comstock, R. Whitely, L. Walters, C. Cashdollar. Row 3: A. Kramer, P. Roman, B. Bierau.



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Young,
Lots of luck in
your future years
at Mass. We're a
group of unlucky's
who don't get to go
to Rickland. Keep you're
smile & you will go far.
Sally
Jackney



1. Sea Sick. 2. Giggles. 3. Combing the Mop. 4. Get on some clothes. 5. Go to sleep. 6. Wake up. 7. Wonderful. 8. Get in. 9. It's dark. 10. Don't read that. 11. Bored. 12. Night time. 13. Unpacking. 14. Pick up. 15. You're peeking Little Russ. 16. Day dreaming. 17. Little Guff. 18. Little Jan. 19. In Love. 20. Smile.

New York Trip

Last year the junior class took a three day trip to New York City. This was the second trip to New York by Mars High students.

We departed from Pittsburgh by train and traveled all night. Everyone was so excited the first night that no one got any sleep. We reached New York in the morning and registered in the Governor Clinton Hotel. While in New York City, we had most of our meals at Child's Restaurant.

We took a complete tour of the New York Times Building where we saw how the newspapers are made. The *New York Times* is the biggest newspaper in the world. Their motto is that they print only the news that is fit to print. We went through the teletype room where news comes in from all over the world. They have their own radio station WQXR which plays only music.

We took a three hour lectured yacht cruise around Manhattan. We passed near the Statue of Liberty with its beautiful coat of green. Surprisingly no one got seasick on the cruise. We were amazed to see how small our boat was compared to the liner U.S.S. United States, which was docked along the wharf.

We went on lectured tours through the Rockefeller Center where all the buildings are connected with underground passages and the United Nations Building where a lot of the important decisions of our country are made. In the Empire State Building we were taken to the observation tower from which we could see most of New York City.

We took a bus ride through lower New York and later walked through China Town. While in China Town we went into a souvenir shop, but strangely, everything was made in Japan. We

were surprised to see that the Chinese lived in a completely different surrounding than the neighboring New Yorkers.

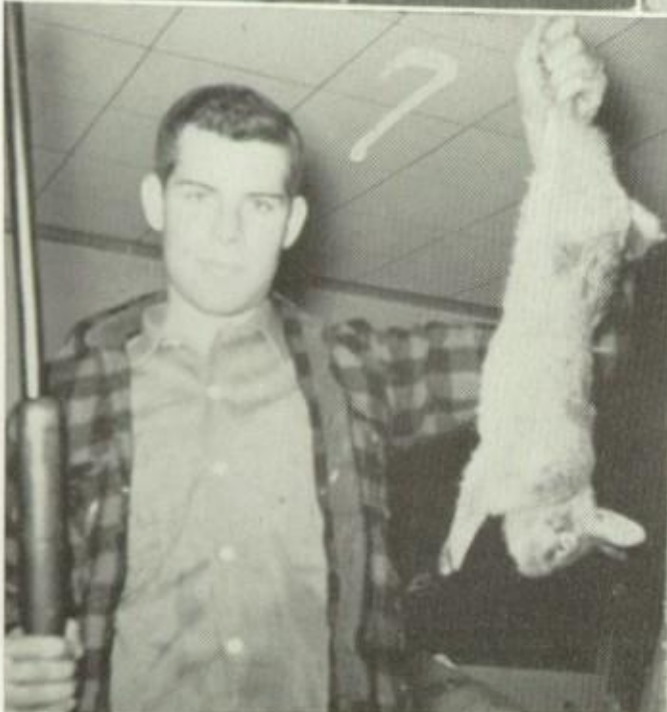
At the Radio City Music Hall we were entertained by the Radio City Concert Orchestra and a stage play which featured the famous Rockettes dancing girls. We later saw a movie there entitled "Love Me or Leave Me" with Doris Day and James Cagney.

A few brave students decided to take a subway ride and everyone was surprised to see them back the same day. On our evening off we traveled around to see New York City at night. There are so many movies in New York that it is hard to decide which one to attend.

On our last night in New York City we went to a radio show by taxicab. Those poor taxies! They will never be the same again, since seven or eight students jumped out of each one. We arrived at the radio studio and saw The Disc Derby, a record program where the visiting star was Johnny Applewhite. Every one received a free record before they left the show.

On our way to the Pennsylvania station to catch our train home, a few students seemed to have gotten misplaced. "Can you imagine those poor New Yorkers with a group of Mars students at large." When train time came all students were accounted for, strangely enough.

We departed from New York City at night leaving a lot of thankful New Yorkers behind. Oh, those poor bus drivers and lecture guides! We arrived at Pittsburgh in the morning and boarded Harmony buses for Mars. It was funny how everyone was so quiet on the way home. After a few days of rest we were as good as new and began thinking of all the fun we had in good old New York City.



1. Fleas. 2. Now. 3. Wienie Roast. 4. Study Hall. 5. Kick Off. 6. Invations. 7. Dan Boone. 8. Who's Sleeping? 9. Step High.



1. Burma Shave. 2. Studying. 3. What's this? 4. Goin' Fishin'. 5. Beauty. 6. Hot Rod. 7. Learning. 8. Using your head. 9. Field Trip. 10. The Brains. 11. Sewing Circle. 12. Play Practice. 13. Going Home.

May Queen



Arlene Baker

The 1955 May Court



The Sophomore Girls





NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Row 1: E. Taylor, M. Ruhl, B. Remmen, A. Magee, J. Maslowsky, A. Coventry. Row 2: J. Collins, N. Dierdorf, P. Roman, L. Hilgert, C. Cashdollar. Row 3: B. Wood, R. Spangenburg, R. Socash, C. Farrell.

National Honor Society

The National Honor Society was organized in February. It consists of fifteen members. To be accepted in the N.H.S. one must have maintained at least a B average through high school.

The officers elected were as follows: President—Rege Socash, Vice President—Pat Roman, Secretary—Carol Cashdollar, Treasurer—Russ Spangenburg.

The top five in the N.H.S. were as follows: Regis Socash was Valedictorian, Nancy Dierdorf was Salutatorian, Annamary Magee was third, William Wood was fourth, and Russell Spangenburg was fifth.

The 1956 Planet wishes to congratulate all those in the National Honor Society. Best of luck in your future, and here's hoping it will be a big success.

Planet Staff

The Planet Staff, under the capable supervision of Mr. C. P. Barrett, has worked diligently to produce a successful yearbook. The staff is made up of seniors who were chosen early in the fall.

The whole staff worked together in evening meetings and the writers, who were Bill Bierau, Judy Collins, Annamary Magee, Bill McAfee, and Guff Wiegand, worked during school under the supervision of Miss McDanel.

The publication was partially financed by advertisements which were obtained by canvassing the district.

Everyone was kept working in order to get all the material necessary for the annual year book. Among those working constantly were the calendar editor and the alumni editor. The class will and the class prophecy took a lot of thought.

We, the Planet Staff of Mars High School, proudly present the "Planet" of 1956 to you, the students.

PLANET STAFF

Row 1: B. Remmen, J. Maslowsky, J. Collins, M. Ruhl, A. Magee, B. Hays, M. Coon. Row 2: R. Spangenburg, G. Wiegand, B. Bierau, B. McAfee, B. Wiegand.



School Calendar

SEPTEMBER

- 7 School begins—Those 3 months sure flew by!
- 12 Underclassmen pictures taken—"But I always grin this way."
- 13 First issue of The Dope.
- 16 Lost opener to Union—20 to 0—Guff Wiegand chosen football captain.
- 20 Melvin Ehrin—piano artist—"no candelabra either."
- 24 Lost game to Sharpsville, 13-0.
- 27 Band attends concert of Navy Band. Connie Farrell played flute at concert.
- 29 Another loss to Darlington, 14-13. "We're still with you boys!"

OCTOBER

- 8 West Deer downs Mars 35-13.
- 10 General Motors Assembly program. Swish! . . . there goes that jet!
- 11 Applications for G.A.A. issued.
- 13 Planet staff canvass for ads.
- 14 Coach Dancer leads team to VICTORY over EVANS CITY, 26-15.
- 19 Driving classes begin. No casualties yet . . . but Mr. Skacan sure turns a funny shade of green.
- 21 Day off! Lost close game to Zelie.
- 25 Panel from Mars discuss farm-city week at Kiwanis.
- 27 Farce Comedy in assembly, "Girls . . . Have you got IT?"
- 29 Lost to Freedom, 18-6.
- 31 G.A.A. members announced . . .

NOVEMBER

- 4 Half day of school . . . time off for good behavior.
- 5 High School Day at Pitt vs. West Virginia game.
- 8 Seniors busy selling tooth brushes and bunny fur articles.
- 10 Small size report cards issued.
- 11 Armistice Day Vacation. Mars Band leads parade at Butler
- 16 Speech Club visits various schools and gets some interesting comparisons.
- 17 Latin Club initiation . . .
- 23 G.A.A. Dance . . . "Autumn Fantasy." Football queen crowned.
- 24 "No I'm not just getting up Ma, I'm just going to bed!"
- 29 Basketball season opens . . . Mars wins over Zelie.

DECEMBER

- 2 & 3 Junior Class Play . . . "Don't Take My Penny."
- 5 Drivers class gets '56 Ford . . .
- 6 Lost game to Penn.
- 7 Bob Wood, cartoonist, entertains at chapel.
- 8 Sophomores sponsor movie . . . "Island in the Sky" . . .
- 9 Three cheers for Harry, he got his hair cut, "and those long curls were so pretty!" Mars downs Zelie again.
- 11 Chorus Christmas Program . . . "The Nativity" . . .
- 13 Lost game to Etna.
- 15 Mars beats Evans City! Senior pictures returned . . .
- 20 Juniors sponsor Jay Michael Hop. Go, Go, Go! Daddy-O.
- 21 Band Party . . . "how are you fixed for blades, Eb?"
- 22 Christmas Chapel. Judy Hessler announced as May Queen
- 25 Gee, all I got was ashes.
- 30 Lost to Hampton.

JANUARY

- 1 Happy New Year.

School Calendar

- 3 Lost game to Rochester.
- 4 School re-opens . . . Back to the ol' grind.
- 5 Senior play tryouts . . . Budding young Sara Bernharts!
- 10 Freedom downs Mars . . . "Come on boys!"
- 13 Friday the 13th . . . I'd better crawl in a hole!
- 17 Rehearsals begin for "I Love Lucy!"
- 18 Spanish Club initiation.
- 20 Glass blower entertains at assembly.
- 27 All school prom.
- 31 Representative from Lake Erie College speaks to Speech Class.

FEBRUARY

- 2 Chapel Program . . . gun collection.
- 9 Freshman movie . . . "Fort Apache."
- 10 Mr. Barrett leaves Mars.
- 17 Planets down New Brighton in thriller.
- 21 Bill Eythe visits Alma Mater . . .
- 22 Representative from Pinkerton talks to senior girls.
- 24 Band Concert . . . Man, Dig those cool kats and their version of "Dry Bones."
- 28 Representative from Mount Mercy College speaks to senior girls. Faculty game . . . Oh, what legs!!!
- 29 Leap Day . . . Sign in senior room—"Beware of low leaping girls today!!! "Girls played game with Hampton . . .

MARCH

- 1 March comes in like a lamb.
- 7 Chapel program.
- 8 Boys basketball tournament starts at Westminster.
- 9 Day after yesterday.
- 16 Choral Concert.
- 21 Spring has sprung!!!
- 23 District contests.
- 29 School lets out at 2:30 for Easter vacation.

APRIL

- 6 Senior class presents—"I Love Lucy."
- 7 Second night of play.
- 9 One Freshman lost since September finally makes it to first period class.
- 14 Spanish Club Fiesta . . . Es muy bonita! Si!
- 24 Chapel program.
- 26, 27, 28 State contests.

MAY

- 4, 5 May Day . . . Didn't our queens look beautiful?
- 10 Gee seniors, only a few more weeks of school.
- 18 Senior Prom.
- 20 Baccalaureate.
- 21 Seniors receive yearbooks.
- 23 Senior exams . . . Poor underclassmen are missing these big fat tests.
- 25 Commencement . . . One senior boy to another—"How come all the girls are crying?"
- 29 Underclassmen get yearbooks.
- 30 Memorial Day . . . No School.

JUNE

- 5 Cards out.
- 5 School dismisses for Summer vacation.

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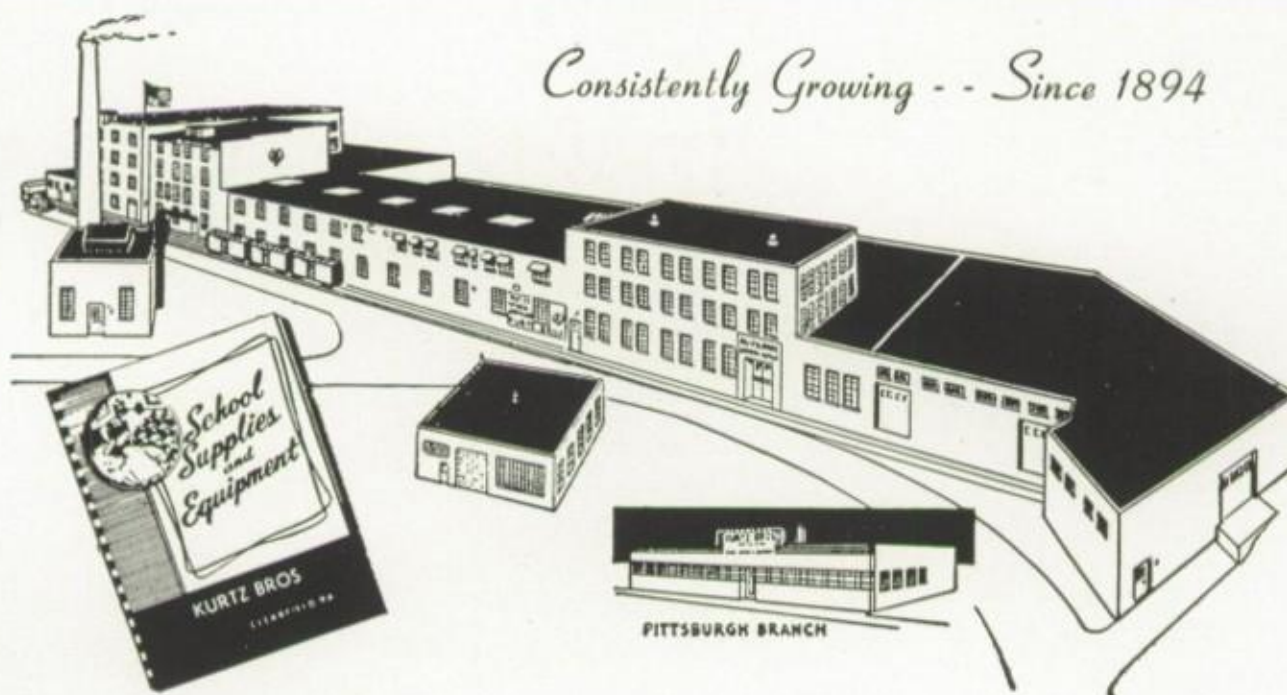
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